



**Board of Commissioners of Cook County  
Minutes of the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation**

**Wednesday, July 24, 2019**

**11:30 AM**

**Cook County Building, Board Room  
118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois**

**ATTENDANCE**

**Present:** Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

**Also Present:** K. Morrison (1)

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

**Chairman Silvestri asked the Secretary to the Board to call upon the registered public speakers, in accordance with Cook County Code.**

No Public Speakers

[19-4753](#)

**COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 6/25/2019

**A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Vice Chairman Lowry, to approve 19-4753. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[19-4680](#)

**Presented by:** KIMBERLY M. FOXX, Cook County State's Attorney

**CASE DISPOSITION SUMMARY REPORT**

Medical Litigation Section - 6/26/2019 - 7/24/2019

**A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, to receive and file 19-4680. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[19-4620](#)

**Presented by:** KIMBERLY M. FOXX, Cook County State's Attorney

**SPECIAL STATE'S ATTORNEY'S INVOICES FOR APPROVAL**

*Stewart Title Guaranty Company v. Nicholas Grapsas, et al.*

Case No. 2015 L 4520 and 2012 P 3203

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney John H. Scheid, Jr. and the  
firm of Pretzel & Stouffer, Chartered.

**Tab Item No. 1**

*Brown v. Cook County, et al.*

Case No. 17 C 8085

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney Michael W. Condon and the firm  
of Hervas, Condon & Bersani, P.C.

**Tab Item No. 2**

*Brown v. Dart, et al.*, 18 L 12632

Reyes v. Dart, et al., 18 L 12511

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney Justin L. Leinenweber and  
the firm of Leinenweber, Baroni & Daffada, LLC

**Tab Item No. 3**

*Tate v. Dart, et al.*

Case No. 18 CH 2749

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney Justin L. Leinenweber and  
the firm of Leinenweber, Baroni & Daffada, LLC.

**Tab Item No. 4**

*Policemen's Benevolent Labor Committee v. Dart, et al.*

Case No. L-CA-18-037

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney Justin L. Leinenweber and  
the firm of Leinenweber, Baroni & Daffada, LLC

**Tab Item No. 5**

*Brown, et al. v. Cook County, et al., 17 C 8085*  
*Howard, et al. v. Cook County, et al., 17 C 8146*  
*Diana Caloca v. Cook County, et al., 17 C 9056*  
*Madeline Ramos Cook County, et al., 18 C 00274*  
*Falguni Dave v. Cook County, et al., 18 C 2949*  
In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney Christina M. Egan and  
the firm of McGuire Woods, LLP

**Tab Item No. 6**

*Squeo, Anthony v. Sheriff of Cook County, et al.*  
Case No. 18 CH 12385  
In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney Monica Burkoth and  
the firm of Johnson & Bell, LTD

**Tab Item No. 7**

*Shyne, Martenia v. Sheriff of Cook County, et al.*  
Case No. 19 CH 12385  
In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney Monica Burkoth and  
the firm of Johnson & Bell, LTD

**Tab Item No. 8**

*Bridges v. Sheriff of Cook County, et al., 18 CH 15535*  
*Garrett-Williams v. Sheriff of Cook County, et al., 19 CH 840*  
*Jackson v. Sheriff of Cook County, et al., 18 CH 14378*  
*Shaffer v. Sheriff of Cook County, et al., 18 CH 15653*  
In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney Monica Burkoth and  
the firm of Johnson & Bell, LTD.

**Tab Item No. 9**

*Sheppard, David v. Sheriff of Cook County, et al.*  
Case No. 19 C 296  
In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney Monica Burkoth and  
the firm of Johnson & Bell, LTD

**Tab Item No. 10**

*DeLeon-Reyes v. Rey Guevara, et al.*

Case No. 18 C 1028

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney Daniel M. Noland and  
the firm of Reiter Burns, LLP

**Tab Item No. 11**

*Percy, Taylor v. Sheriff Dart, et al.*

Case No. 13 C 1856, 15 C 5919

Case No. 14 L 6617

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney James M. Lydon and the firm  
of Hinshaw & Culbertson, LLP

**Tab Item No. 12**

*Stephanie Zugschwert v. Cook County Sheriff's Office, et al.*

Case No. 16 CH 4992

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney James M. Lydon and  
the firm of Hinshaw & Culbertson, LLP

**Tab Item No. 13**

*Hartison v. Sheriff of Cook County*

Case No. 18 L 3398

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney John J. Rock and the firm  
of Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC

**Tab Item No. 14**

*Zaborowski, et al. v. Sheriff of Cook County, et al.*

Case No. 08 C 6946

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney John J. Rock and the firm  
of Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC

**Tab Item No. 15**

*Percy Taylor v. Sheriff Dart, et al.*

Case No. 13 C 1856, 13 C 6512, 15 C 5919

Case No. 16 CH 4127

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney John J. Rock and the firm

of Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC

**Tab Item No. 16**

*Patricia Hicks v. Cook County Sheriff's Office, et al.*

*Jasmin McBride and Lorenzo Smith v. Cook County Sheriff's Office, et al.*

Case No. 15 C 6852 and 17 C 4951

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney John J. Rock and the firm of Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC

**Tab Item No. 17**

*Antonio Perry v. Starks, et al.*

Case No. 16 C 4557

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney John J. Rock and the firm of Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC

**Tab Item No. 18**

*Sorrentino-Berger v. Murphy, et al.*

Case No: 18 L 1927

In Re: Reimbursement of Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney John J. Rock and the firm of Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC

**Tab Item No. 19**

*Gonsalves v. Dart, et al.*

Case No: 18 C 5564

In Re: Reimbursement of Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney John J. Rock and the firm of Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC

**Tab Item No. 20**

*Reyes v. Sgt. Hiessen, et al.*

Case No: 18 C 330

In Re: Reimbursement of Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney John J. Rock and the firm of Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC

**Tab Item No. 21**

*Lukasik, et al. v. Thomas Nortman, et al., 18 L 10893*

*Loveless v. Thomas Nortman, et al., 18 L 13585*

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for

Special State's Attorney John J. Rock and the firm  
of Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC

**Tab Item No. 22**

*Alstory Simon v. Northwestern University, et al.*

Case No. 15 C 1433, 18 L 000044

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney Eileen E. Rosen and the firm  
of Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC.

**Tab Item No. 23**

*Dorothy Holmes, et al. v. Officer George Hernandez, et al.*

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Case No. 14 C 8536

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney Eileen E. Rosen and the firm  
of Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC.

**Tab Item No. 24**

*Strickland v. Dart, et al.*

Case No: 19 C 2621

In Re: Reimbursement of Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney John J. Rock and the  
firm of Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC

**Tab Item No. 25**

*Johnson v. Brown, et al., 17 C 6249*

*Johnson v. Taylor, et al., 18 C 5263*

In Re: Reimbursement of Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney John J. Rock and the  
firm of Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC

**Tab Item No. 26**

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Morrison, to approve 19-4620. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to convene executive session. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to reconvene regular session. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[19-4686](#)

Presented by: KIMBERLY M. FOXX, Cook County State's Attorney

**PROPOSED LITIGATION PENDING**

**Department:** State's Attorney's Office, Civil Actions Bureau

**Request:** Refer to the Board and/or the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation

**Case Name:** *Camille Gordon (Est. Vera Gordon) v. Cook County, et al.*

**Case Number:** 15 L 66019

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney 19-4686. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[19-4690](#)

Presented by: KIMBERLY M. FOXX, Cook County State's Attorney

**PROPOSED LITIGATION PENDING**

**Department:** State's Attorney's Office, Civil Actions Bureau

**Request:** Refer to the Board and/or the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation

**Case Name:** *Latasha Johnson (Est. Moises Cesar) v. Cook County, et al.*

**Case Number:** 16 L 6404

**A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to concur with the recommendation of the State' s Attorney 19-4690. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[19-4694](#)

**Presented by:** KIMBERLY M. FOXX, Cook County State's Attorney

**PROPOSED LITIGATION PENDING**

**Department:** State's Attorney's Office, Civil Actions Bureau

**Request:** Refer to the Board and/or the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation

**Case Name:** *Jose Vargas v. Cook County, et al.*

**Case Number:** 17 L 1104

**A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to concur with the recommendation of the State' s Attorney 19-4694. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[19-4698](#)

**Presented by:** KIMBERLY M. FOXX, Cook County State's Attorney

**PROPOSED LITIGATION PENDING**

**Department:** State's Attorney's Office, Civil Actions Bureau

**Request:** Refer to the Board and/or the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation



**Case Name:** *Vera Brooks (Est. Jacqueline Brooks) v. Cook County, et al.*

**Case Number:** 17 L 3834

**A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney 19-4698. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[19-4702](#)

**Presented by:** KIMBERLY M. FOXX, Cook County State's Attorney

**PROPOSED LITIGATION PENDING**

**Department:** State's Attorney's Office, Civil Actions Bureau

**Request:** Refer to the Board and/or the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation

**Case Name:** *Tony Lyles v. Sgt. Gambino, et al.*

**Case Number:** 14 C 1406

**A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredinto concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney 19-4702. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[19-4706](#)

**Presented by:** KIMBERLY M. FOXX, Cook County State's Attorney

**PROPOSED LITIGATION PENDING**

**Department:** State's Attorney's Office, Civil Actions Bureau

**Request:** Refer to the Board and/or the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation

**Case Name:** *Michael Parish, et al. v. Dart*

**Case Number:** 07 C 4369

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney 19-4706. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[19-4707](#)

**Presented by:** KIMBERLY M. FOXX, Cook County State's Attorney

**PROPOSED LITIGATION PENDING**

**Department:** State's Attorney's Office, Civil Actions Bureau

**Request:** Refer to the Board and/or the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation

**Case Name:** *Hicks v. Cook County Sheriff's Office, et al.*

**Case Number:** 15 C 6852

**Withdrawn.**

[19-4711](#)

**Presented by:** KIMBERLY M. FOXX, Cook County State's Attorney

**PROPOSED LITIGATION PENDING**

**Department:** State's Attorney's Office, Civil Actions Bureau

**Request:** Refer to the Board and/or the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation

**Case Name:** *Tyshawn Carter v. Thomas Dart, et al.*

**Case Number:** 17 L 8904

A motion was made by Commissioner Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 19-4711. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[19-4715](#)

**Presented by:** KIMBERLY M. FOXX, Cook County State's Attorney

**PROPOSED LITIGATION PENDING**

**Department:** State's Attorney's Office, Civil Actions Bureau

**Request:** Refer to the Board and/or the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation

**Case Name:** *Jariah Richardson, a minor by her Guardian Devon Bank and Nichole Moore, Individually v. County of Cook, et al.*

**Case Number:** 19 C 4676

A motion was made by Commissioner Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 19-4715. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[19-4716](#)

**Presented by:** KIMBERLY M. FOXX, Cook County State's Attorney

**PROPOSED LITIGATION PENDING**

**Department:** State's Attorney's Office, Civil Actions Bureau

**Request:** Refer to the Board and/or the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation

**Case Name:** Outside Counsel RFQ Update

**Case Number:** N/A

A motion was made by Commissioner Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 19-4716. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[19-4720](#)

**Presented by:** KIMBERLY M. FOXX, Cook County State's Attorney

**PROPOSED LITIGATION PENDING**

**Department:** State's Attorney's Office, Civil Actions Bureau

**Request:** Refer to the Board and/or the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation

**Case Name:** Report on Outside Counsel Invoices

**Case Number:** N/A

**A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Vice Chairman Lowry, to concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney 19-4720. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[19-4724](#)

**Presented by:** KIMBERLY M. FOXX, Cook County State's Attorney

**PROPOSED LITIGATION PENDING**

**Department:** State's Attorney's Office, Civil Actions Bureau

**Request:** Refer to the Board and/or the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation

**Case Name:** Appointment of Outside Counsel

**Case Number:** N/A

**A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Vice Chairman Lowry, to receive and file 19-4724. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to suspend the rules to take up supplemental agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

**19-4794**

**Presented by:** KIMBERLY M. FOXX, Cook County State's Attorney

**PROPOSED LITIGATION PENDING**

**Department:** State's Attorney's Office, Civil Actions Bureau

**Request:** Refer to the Board and/or the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation

**Case Name:** Simpson v. Dart, et al. and Monae v. Dart, et al.

**Case Number:** 18 C 0553 and 18 C 0424

**A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Morrison, to receive and file 19-4794. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

**ADJOURNMENT**

**A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

Respectfully submitted,



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Chairman



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Secretary

A complete record of this meeting is available at <https://cook-county.legistar.com>.