

MINUTES OF MEETING
PUBLIC DEFENDER SERVICES COMMISSION
OCTOBER 2, 2012

The meeting of the Public Defender Services Commission was convened at 4:32 p.m., in the conference room, at the Office of Chief Public Defender, Hartford, Connecticut.

Members Present

Thomas J. Rechen, Esq., **Chair**
Monsignor William A. Genuario
Aimee Golbert, LCSW
Attorney Ramona Mercado-Espinoza

Others Present

Susan O. Storey, Chief Public Defender
Brian S. Carlow, Deputy Chief Public Defender
Nancy M. Roberts, Director of Human Resources
Christine P. Rapillo, Director of Juvenile Delinquency
Defense & Child Protection Services
Christopher Cosgrove, Public Defender
Litchfield Judicial District
Bevin Salmon, Supervisory Assistant Public Defender
Geographical Area 23 (New Haven)
Milton I. Walsh, Supervisory Assistant Public Defender
Geographical Area 12 (Manchester)

The interviews and appointment of the Chief Social Worker and the Supervisory Assistant Public Defender, Geographical Area 10 (New London), were postponed until the next meeting.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED to approve the minutes of the September 4, 2012 meeting.

There were no permanent statuses to discuss at this meeting.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to reappoint the following attorney to a new four-year term: Chief of Habeas Corpus Services, Temmy A. Pieszak, Habeas Corpus Unit, Office of Chief Public Defender, Rocky Hill.

There were no compensation matters to discuss at this meeting.

A discussion took place regarding the November Commission meeting. It was decided to change the date of the November Commission meeting to November 13, 2012.

A discussion took place regarding some correspondence that was received by the Commission.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to go into Executive Session at 4:36 p.m. The reason for convening in Executive Session was in accordance with Section 1-200(6)(A) of the Connecticut General Statutes.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to come out of Executive Session at 4:46 p.m.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to appoint Attorney John Cizik, Jr. to the position of

Senior Assistant Public Defender, Litchfield Judicial District. The effective date of the appointment is at the discretion of the Chief Public Defender.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to go back into Executive Session at 4:48 p.m. The reason for convening in Executive Session was in accordance with Section 1-200(6)(A) of the Connecticut General Statutes.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to come out of Executive Session at 5:04 p.m.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to appoint Attorney Mildred Doody to the position of Deputy Assistant Public Defender, Juvenile Post-Conviction and Re-Entry Unit, Office of Chief Public Defender, Hartford. The effective date of the appointment is at the discretion of the Chief Public Defender.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED to appoint Attorney Joshua Michtom to the position of Assistant Public Defender, Juvenile Delinquency Defense and Child Protection Services, Office of Chief Public Defender, Hartford. The effective date of the appointment is at the discretion of the Chief Public Defender.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to go back into Executive Session at 5:08 p.m. The reason for convening in Executive Session was in accordance with Section 1-200(6)(A) of the Connecticut General Statutes.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to come out of Executive Session at 5:40 p.m.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to appoint Attorney Catherine Brennan to the position of Assistant Public Defender, Geographical Area 23 (New Haven). The effective date of the appointment is at the discretion of the Public Defender.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to appoint Attorney Mark Holmes to the position of Deputy Assistant Public Defender, Geographical Area 12 (Manchester). The effective date of the appointment is at the discretion of the Chief Public Defender.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to ratify the appointment of LaWanda Geter to the federal grant position of part-time Project Assistant, Connecticut Innocence Project, Hartford.

A discussion took place regarding the outside employment request of Attorney Jennifer Mellon, Geographical Area 23 (New Haven).

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to approve the outside employment request of Jennifer Mellon, Geographical Area 23 (New Haven).

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to go back into Executive Session at 5:54 p.m. The

reason for convening in Executive Session was in accordance with Section 1-210(b)(10) of the Connecticut General Statutes.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to come out of Executive Session at 6:14 p.m.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to approve the schedule of invoices as submitted to the Commission.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to approve the Authorizations to Incur Expenses as submitted to the Commission.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian S. Carlow
Deputy Chief Public Defender