

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
STATE MARSHAL COMMISSION
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Meeting is in North Plaza Meeting Room J at 4:30 p.m.

MINUTES
STATE MARSHAL COMMISSION MEETING
January 25, 2018

Members present: Chairperson W. Martyn Philpot, Jr., Esq., Vice-Chairperson Michael Cronin, Esq., Robert P. LaTorraca (via teleconference call), Tracy Lee Dayton, Esq., Michael Desmond (via teleconference call), Honorable Lisa K. Morgan and John Vamos. Also present was ex-officio member Julianne Ingham (non-voting), Staff Director Jeffrey Beckham, and Staff Attorney Jennifer Y. Montgomery. Mildred Torres-Ferguson and ex-officio member Keith Niziankiewicz were not present.

Present for the public session were Wendy Dayton and State Marshals Lisa Stevenson, Kevin McNeill, and Arthur Quinn, III.

Chairperson W. Martyn Philpot, Jr., Esq. called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m.

1. Minutes: November 30, 2017 meeting

The Commission, after a motion by John Vamos, seconded by Vice-Chairperson Michael Cronin, Esq., voted 6-0 to adopt the minutes from the November 30, 2017 meeting. Honorable Lisa K. Morgan abstained.

2. State Marshal Access to the "Big List" for Unclaimed Client Fund Monies

Ex-Officio Julianne Ingham discussed generally that state marshals garnish wages under executions and are sometimes faced with issue of uncashed checks. The state marshals would like to gain access to the "Big List" account for unclaimed property maintained by the State Treasurer so that they can clear this unclaimed money from their client fund accounts and not be in violation of Commission Policy. Chairperson W. Martyn Philpot, Jr., Esq., entertained a request to allow State Marshal Lisa Stevenson to speak on the record. She noted that retaining funds in the account violates the policy that such monies be disbursed within 30 days. She noted that they wanted an avenue or mechanism to get the money out of their accounts. Jeffrey Beckham inquired whether they have spoken with the State Treasurer and Marshal Stevenson noted that they had not. Vice-Chairperson Michael Cronin noted that this may require a statutory change. Commissioner Lisa Morgan inquired whether or not they could disburse the funds back to the employer. Chairperson Philpot noted that this issue might be appropriate for an Attorney General opinion. Attorney Montgomery noted that it is unclear which statutes would apply to state marshals and agreed that an opinion from the Attorney General was appropriate. Attorney Montgomery inquired what the sheriffs did with unclaimed funds and Marshal Stevenson noted that she did nothing with them to her knowledge as they did not have audits of those accounts. Vice-Chairperson Cronin suggested that the

request should be expedited due to the potential need for legislation. Attorney Montgomery noted that they could request an informal opinion.

Chairperson W. Martyn Philpot, Jr., Esq. permitted Complainant Wendy Dalton to address the Commission regarding the Proposed Decision in File No. 16-07. Ms. Dalton noted her belief that the Respondent should be more severely punished for his violations. She noted that the Respondent has the ability to severely impact people's lives and should be held to a higher standard because he is an officer of the court. She also noted that he and her landlord had illegally entered her home which led to her being embarrassed and caused the loss of her security deposit and family heirlooms. Chairperson Philpot clarified with the Complainant that she had received a money judgment from the court on her legal claim. She confirmed that she had received a \$200 judgment but noted that the judge gave weight to the Respondent's testimony because he was an officer of the court.

The Commission, after a motion by Vice-Chairperson Michael Cronin, Esq., seconded by John Vamos, voted 7-0 to enter executive session.

[Deliberations proposed for executive session pursuant to Sections 1-200 and 1-225 of the Connecticut General Statutes to discuss the appointment, performance, evaluation, health or dismissal of a public officer]

The Commission, after a motion by Vice-Chairperson Michael Cronin, Esq., seconded by John Vamos, voted 7-0 to return to the public record. No votes were taken in executive session.

3. Proposed Decisions

The Commission, after a motion by Vice-Chairperson Michael Cronin, Esq., seconded by Honorable Lisa K. Morgan, voted 7-0 to adopt the Proposed Decision and recommended dispositions in the following files:

16-07	Dalton/Barnes	7-Day Suspension
16-11	Emons/Barnes	7-Day Suspension

4. Complaints

The Commission, after a motion by Vice-Chairperson Michael Cronin, Esq., seconded by Honorable Lisa K. Morgan, voted 7-0 to lift the stay in the following matter:

File No.	Name
17-19	Quinn/Poeti

The Commission, after a motion by Vice-Chairperson Michael Cronin, Esq., seconded by Robert P. LaTorraca, voted 7-0 to find probable cause to convene an Oversight Committee hearing in the following files:

File No.	Name
17-19	Quinn/Poeti

The Commission, after a motion by Vice-Chairperson Michael Cronin, Esq., seconded by Honorable Lisa K. Morgan, voted 7-0 to dismiss the following files:

File No.	Name
17-26	Schaefer/Marinan
17-28	Richardson-Rivera/Winik
17-29	Errico/Wright
17-30	Goduto/Laden
17-32	Crown/Parrillo
17-34	Cohen/Smith

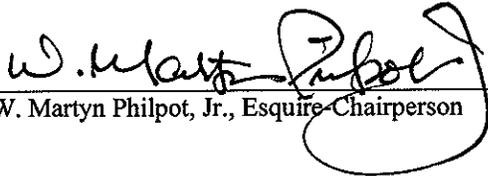
5. Request for Stay

The Commission, after a motion by Vice-Chairperson Michael Cronin, Esq., seconded by John Vamos, voted 7-0, to stay the following matter pending resolution of a related civil action:

15-69 Maurer/Pesiri

At 5:24 p.m., the Commission, after a motion by John Vamos, seconded by Vice-Chairperson Michael Cronin, Esq., voted 7-0 to adjourn the meeting.

Minutes were approved by the Commission on February 22, 2018.



W. Martyn Philpot, Jr., Esquire-Chairperson