

MINUTES OF MEETING
PUBLIC DEFENDER SERVICES COMMISSION
JUNE 2, 2020

The meeting of the Public Defender Services Commission was convened at 1:05 p.m. via Zoom.

Members Present

Thomas J. Rechen, Esq., **Chair**

G. Kenneth Bernhard, Esq.

Honorable William R. Dyson

Aimee Golbert, LCSW

Attorney Ramona Mercado-Espinoza

Honorable Hillary B. Strackbein

Honorable Elpedio N. Vitale

Others Present

Christine Perra Rapillo, Chief Public Defender

John R. Day, Deputy Chief Public Defender

Diane M. Fitzpatrick, Director of Human Resources

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2020 meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Chief Public Defender updated the Commission on the Division's staffing and budget.

The Chief Public Defender discussed the Division's audit report.

The Chief Public Defender further discussed the upcoming reappointments for Commission members.

The Chief Public Defender further discussed the Division's Annual Report. The discussion was tabled until the next meeting.

TABLING OF ANNUAL REPORT

The Chief Public Defender further discussed the chronology of the closure and planned openings of court locations. Proceedings will be held as more courts start to re-open.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to go into Executive Session at 2:02 p.m. The reason for convening in Executive Session was in accordance with Section 1-210(b)(10) of the Connecticut General Statutes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Commission came out of Executive Session at 2:08 p.m.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to approve the following Authorizations to Incur Expenses: 06-2020-01 and 06-2020-02.

APPROVAL OF EXPENSES

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 2:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John R. Day
Deputy Chief Public Defender