

MINUTES OF MEETING
PUBLIC DEFENDER SERVICES COMMISSION
JANUARY 5, 2010

The meeting of the Public Defender Services Commission was convened at 4:30 p.m., at the Legal Services Unit, Office of Chief Public Defender, Hamden, Connecticut.

Members Present

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

Others Present

Susan O. Storey, Chief Public Defender
Brian S. Carlow, Deputy Chief Public Defender
Nancy Roberts, Director of Human Resources
R. Bruce Lorenzen, Public Defender
Hartford Judicial District
Paula Montonye, Special Public Defender

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to go into Executive Session at 4:30 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 4:55 p.m.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to appoint Attorney John L. Stawicki to the position of Assistant Public Defender, Hartford 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 appoint Attorney Angela C. Morizio to the position of Assistant Public Defender, Hartford 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 ratify the appointment of Stephanie McInerney to the position of Social Worker II, Litchfield Judicial District and Geographical Area 18 (Bantam).

The Chief Public Defender discussed with the Commission the status of the Racial Disparity proceedings.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to go back into Executive Session at 5:00 p.m. The reason for convening in Executive Session was in accordance with Section 1-200(6)(A) and 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 5:44 p.m.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to approve the minutes of the December 1, 2009 meeting.

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. Chair Eisenmann abstained from the vote in the matter of State vs. Steven Hayes.

The Chief Public Defender discussed the Special Public Defender Contracts and Extensions.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to approve the Special Public Defender Contracts and Extensions as submitted to the Commission.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to grant permanent status to Deputy Assistant Public Defender, James J. Pastore, Bridgeport Judicial District, upon the successful completion of his probationary period.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to reappoint the following attorneys to a new four-year term: Assistant Public Defender, Sean F. Kelly, Geographical Area 10 (New London), expiring on 12/14/13; Acting Chief of Habeas Corpus Services, Barbara Sorrentino, Office of Chief Public Defender, Rocky Hill, expiring on 12/18/13; Senior Assistant Public

Defender, M. Fred DeCaprio, Capital Defense and Trial Services, Office of Chief Public Defender, Hartford, expiring on 12/31/13; Senior Assistant Public Defender, Scott M. Jones, New Haven Judicial District, expiring on 1/11/14; Assistant Public Defender, Michael Alevy, Geographical Area 23 (New Haven), expiring on 1/13/14; Senior Assistant Public Defender, Neal Cone, Legal Services Unit, Office of Chief Public Defender, Hamden, expiring on 1/16/14; Public Defender, R. Bruce Lorenzen, Hartford Judicial District, expiring on 1/16/14; and Senior Assistant Public Defender, Rosemarie Chapdelaine, Danbury Judicial District/Geographical Area 3, expiring on 2/4/14.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to approve the educational leave request of Public Defender Administrative Assistant, Tammie Parker, Office of Chief Public Defender, Hartford, for up to 3½ hours per week.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to go back into Executive Session at 5:50 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 6:15 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian S. Carlow

Deputy Chief Public Defender