

MINUTES OF MEETING
PUBLIC DEFENDER SERVICES COMMISSION
JANUARY 3, 2012

The meeting of the Public Defender Services Commission was convened at 4:31 p.m., at the Legal Services Unit, Office of Chief Public Defender, Hamden, Connecticut.

Members Present

Thomas J. Rechen, Esq., **Chair**
Honorable Julia DiCocco Dewey
Carl Eisenmann, Esq.
Monsignor William A. Genuario
Attorney Ramona Mercado-Espinoza
Honorable John W. Pickard

Others Present

Susan O. Storey, Chief Public Defender
Brian S. Carlow, Deputy Chief Public Defender
Nancy M. Roberts, Director of Human Resources
Deborah DelPrete Sullivan, Legal Counsel

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to approve the minutes of the December 6, 2011 meeting.

The Chief Public Defender discussed the ratification of the positions of Public Defender Secretary, New Haven Juvenile Matters; Part-Time Public Defender Clerk, Geographical Area 12 (Manchester); Part-Time Project Assistant (Federal Grant), Connecticut Innocence Project, Hartford; Investigator I (Federal

Grant), Connecticut Innocence Project, Hartford; and Investigator I, Geographical Area 15 (New Britain).

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to ratify the appointment of Edith M. Bruce to the position of Public Defender Secretary, New Haven Juvenile Matters.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to ratify the appointment of Tanya L. Cruz to the position of part-time Public Defender Clerk, Geographical Area 12 (Manchester).

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

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to ratify the appointment of Forrest J. Beaulieu to the federal grant position of Investigator I, Connecticut Innocence Project, Hartford.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to ratify the appointment of Marc Fasano to the federal grant position of Investigator I, Connecticut Innocence Project, Hartford.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to ratify the appointment of Paul A. Farley to the position of Investigator I, Geographical Area 15 (New Britain).

The Chief Public Defender discussed the attorney reappointments.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to reappoint the following attorneys to a new four-year term: Assistant Public Defender, Elizabeth C. Gleason, Bridgeport Juvenile Matters, expiring on 12/30/15; Assistant Public Defender, Michael E. Paris, Geographical Area 2 (Bridgeport), expiring on 1/2/16; Assistant Public Defender, Thomas W. Conroy, Geographical Area 7 (Meriden), expiring on 1/9/16; and Assistant Public Defender, Tejas Bhatt, New Haven Judicial District, expiring on 1/16/16.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to grant permanent status to Public Defender Secretary, Frances Perez, Middletown Juvenile Matters, upon the successful completion of her probationary period.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to go into Executive Session at 4:39 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 5:25 p.m.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to approve the invoices in the matter of State vs. Joshua Komisarjevsky. Commission Member, Carl Eisenmann, abstained from the vote.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to approve all other 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 5:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian S. Carlow
Deputy Chief Public Defender