

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING  
PUBLIC DEFENDER SERVICES COMMISSION  
APRIL 16, 2024**

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The special meeting of the Public Defender Services Commission was convened at 2:11 p.m. at the Legislative Office Building, Room 1D, Hartford, Connecticut.

**Members Present**

Honorable Richard N. Palmer, **Chair**

Michael Jefferson, Esq.

Honorable Russell Morin

Honorable Sheila M. Prats

Honorable Elliot N. Solomon

Herman Woodard, Jr., Esq.

**Others Present**

John R. Day, Acting Chief Public Defender

Deborah Del Prete Sullivan, Legal Counsel, Director

Colleen Valentine, Assistant Attorney General

Leslie O'Brien, Executive Assistant

Thomas W. Bucci, Esq.

TaShun Bowden-Lewis, Chief Public Defender

The Commission convened a Public Hearing pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes § 51-290 (d) in the matter of Chief Public Defender, TaShun Bowden-Lewis. Please see the link below for a transcript of the hearing.

CONVENING OF  
PUBLIC HEARING

[Hearing Transcript](#)

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED  
unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John R. Day  
Acting Chief Public Defender