Criminal Justice Commission

Via Microsoft Teams

Minutes of the Meeting of November 7, 2024

The Honorable Andrew J. McDonald, Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m. In addition to Justice McDonald, participating in the meeting were: The Honorable Melanie L. Cradle, Attorneys Robert Berke, Scott Murphy and Moy Ogilvie and Chief State's Attorney Patrick J. Griffin.

Chief State's Attorney Griffin moved to accept the minutes of the October 3, 2024 meeting. Judge Cradle seconded the motion and it passed 5-1, with Attorney Ogilvie abstaining.

Justice McDonald said the Commission was to interview candidates for two positions of Deputy Assistant State's Attorney, Office of the State's Attorney, Judicial District of Danbury.

Danbury Judicial District State's Attorney David R. Applegate and Equal Employment Opportunity Specialist Janice duFrend were present to participate in the interviews of candidates for Deputy Assistant State's Attorney.

Judge Cradle moved to enter into executive session to discuss candidates for the positions. Attorney Ogilvie seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The executive session began at 1:10 p.m.

The executive session ended at 3:53 p.m. Justice McDonald announced that no motions were made or votes taken during the executive session.

Attorney Ogilvie moved to approve Elizabeth Bonheur and Regina Matos for conditional appointments as Deputy Assistant State's Attorneys in the Office of the State's Attorney, Judicial District of Danbury. The appointments will be effective upon the Chief State's Attorney certifying to the Commission that the individual selected has successfully completed background checks and that no adverse findings were found in the background checks which would call into question the fitness and suitability of the individual selected to serve as a prosecutorial official within the Division of Criminal Justice. Attorney Murphy seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Chief State's Attorney Griffin moved to approve Madeline Paine for conditional appointment as Special Deputy Assistant State's Attorney. The appointment will be effective upon the Chief State's Attorney certifying to the Commission that the individual selected has successfully completed a background check and that no adverse findings were found in the background check which would call into question the fitness and suitability of the individual selected to serve as a prosecutorial official within the Division. Judge Cradle seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. There being no further business, Attorney Berke moved to adjourn the meeting. Attorney Murphy seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 3:56 p.m.