

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING  
PUBLIC DEFENDER SERVICES COMMISSION  
OCTOBER 16, 2014**

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The special meeting of the Public Defender Services Commission was convened at 4:37 p.m., in the conference room, at the Office of Chief Public Defender, Hartford, Connecticut.

**Members Present**

Honorable Julia DiCocco Dewey, **Acting Chair**

G. Kenneth Bernhard, Esq.

Aimee Golbert, LCSW

Attorney Ramona Mercado-Espinoza

**Others Present**

Susan O. Storey, Chief Public Defender

Brian S. Carlow, Deputy Chief Public Defender

Turkessa E. Antrum, Director of Human Resources

Christopher Cosgrove, Public Defender

Litchfield Judicial District

Paul Eschuk, Supervisory Assistant Public Defender

Geographical Area 5 (Derby)

Ellen Knight, Chief Investigator

Office of Chief Public Defender (Hartford)

Darcy McGraw, Director

Connecticut Innocence Project/Post Conviction Unit

Office of Chief Public Defender (Rocky Hill)

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to approve the minutes of the September 9, 2014 meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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) of the Connecticut General Statutes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Commission came out of Executive Session at 5:06 p.m.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED to appoint Attorney Katharine Goodbody to the position of Assistant Public Defender, Connecticut Innocence Project/Post Conviction Unit, Office of Chief Public Defender, Rocky Hill. The effective date of the appointment is at the discretion of the Chief Public Defender.

APPOINTMENT OF ATTY.  
KATHARINE GOODBODY

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to go back into Executive Session at 5:08 p.m. The reason for convening in Executive Session was in accordance with Section 1-200(6)(A) of the Connecticut General Statutes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Commission came out of Executive Session at 5:16 p.m.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to appoint Meredith Martin to the position of Investigator III, Litchfield Judicial District. The effective date of the appointment is at the discretion of the Chief Public Defender.

APPOINTMENT OF  
MEREDITH MARTIN

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to go back into Executive Session at 5:18 p.m. The reason for convening in Executive Session was in accordance with Section 1-200(6)(A) of the Connecticut General Statutes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Commission came out of Executive Session at 5:25 p.m.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to appoint Donna Henry to the position of Investigator III, Danbury Judicial District/Geographical Area 3. The effective date of the appointment is at the discretion of the Chief Public Defender.

APPOINTMENT OF  
DONNA HENRY

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to go back into Executive Session at 5:28 p.m. The reason for convening in Executive Session was in accordance with Section 1-200(6)(A) of the Connecticut General Statutes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Commission came out of Executive Session at 5:40 p.m.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to appoint Attorney Diana Gomez to the position of Deputy Assistant Public Defender, Geographical Area 5 (Derby). The effective date of the appointment is at the discretion of the Chief Public Defender.

APPOINTMENT OF ATTY.  
DIANA GOMEZ

The Chief Public Defender discussed the reclassification of Administrative Assistant, Tammie Parker, Office of Chief Public Defender, Hartford.

The Chief Public Defender further discussed the reclassification of Administrative Assistant, Janice Street, Office of Chief Public Defender, Hartford.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to reclassify Administrative Assistant, Tammie Parker, Office of Chief Public Defender, Hartford.

RECLASSIFICATION OF  
TAMMIE PARKER

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to reclassify Administrative Assistant, Janice Street, Office of Chief Public Defender, Hartford.

RECLASSIFICATION OF  
JANICE STREET

The Chief Public Defender discussed the amendment to the Performance Guidelines for Counsel in Juvenile and Family Matters. It was further discussed that these Guidelines should be in conformity with the Judicial Branch's Guidelines.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to amend the Performance Guidelines for Counsel in Juvenile and Family Matters.

APPROVAL TO AMEND THE  
PERFORMANCE GUIDELINES  
FOR COUNSEL IN JUVENILE  
AND FAMILY MATTERS

The Chief Public Defender discussed the list of attorney reappointments.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to reappoint the following attorneys to a new four-year term: Public Defender, Barry Butler, Stamford Judicial District/Geographical Area 1, expiring on 10/1/18; and Senior Assistant Public Defender, Margaret G.H. Moreau, Geographical Area 23 (New Haven), expiring on 10/17/18.

ATTORNEY  
REAPPOINTMENTS

The Chief Public Defender discussed the list of permanent statuses.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to grant permanent status to Investigator I, Peter Morrison, Geographical Area 12 (Manchester), upon the successful completion of his probationary period.

PERMANENT STATUS

Director of Human Resources, Turkessa E. Antrum, discussed the HR Policies Update—2014.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to approve the HR Policies Update—2014.

APPROVAL OF HR POLICIES UPDATE—2014

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to go back into Executive Session at 6:10 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 6:24 p.m.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED to approve the schedule of invoices as submitted to the Commission. Honorable Julia DiCocco Dewey abstained from the vote in the matter of State vs. John Turner.

APPROVAL OF INVOICE

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED to approve the Authorizations to Incur Expenses as submitted to the Commission. Honorable Julia DiCocco Dewey abstained from the vote in the matter of Pablo Andrades vs. Warden.

APPROVAL OF EXPENSES

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to approve the Authorization to Incur Expenses in the matter of Norman Haughey vs. Warden.

APPROVAL OF EXPENSES

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to approve the Authorization to Incur Expenses in the matter of Todd Rizzo vs. Warden at a reduced amount of \$30,000.

APPROVAL OF EXPENSES

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian S. Carlow  
Deputy Chief Public Defender