

STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
STATE EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT COMMISSION  
LEGAL & PERSONNEL SUBCOMMITTEE

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APRIL 8, 2020 MEETING  
HELD VIA ZOOM  
CONVENED AT 8:37 a.m.

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Present:

Peter Adomeit, Chairman  
Charles Casella, Trustee  
Robert Coffey, Trustee  
Michael Carey, Trustee  
Cindy Cieslak, General Counsel, Rose Kallor  
Michael Rose, Commission Counsel, Rose Kallor  
Bruce Barth, Commission Tax Counsel, Robinson & Cole  
Alisha Sullivan,  
Commission Tax Counsel, Robinson & Cole  
John Herrington, Retirement Series Division Director

Karen Vibert, LSR #00064

(Proceeding commenced at 8:37 a.m.)

1 MR. ADOMEIT: I will call the meeting to  
2 order. I guess we have a motion to amend the -- to  
3 approve the agenda. I guess we usually have a  
4 motion to approve the agenda at this point.

5 MR. COFFEY: moved to approve the agenda.

6 MR. CASELLA: Second.

7 MR. ADOMEIT: It's been moved and  
8 seconded. All favor say aye. All in favor say aye.  
9 Opposed nay. The ayes have it.

10 MS. CIESLAK: For recording purposes and  
11 FOI purposes, if you are speaking, and specifically  
12 it you're not on a camera, if you say your name  
13 that's one the FOI requirements.

14 MR. ADOMEIT: Thank you. Peter Adomeit  
15 here. Motion to go into executive session.

16 MR. CASELLA: So moved.

17 MR. COFFEY: Second.

18 MR. ADOMEIT: All in favor say aye.  
19 Opposed say nay. The ayes have it.

20 (The Subcommittee went into executive  
21 session from 8:38 a.m. until 10:01 a.m.)

22 MR. ADOMEIT: We are out of executive.

23 ME. COFFEY: I move that we grant  
24 reconsideration in the Suzanne Curley matter

25 MR. CAREY: I second.

1 MR. ADOMEIT: Is there any further  
2 discussion. Hearing none, all in favor say aye.  
3 Opposed nay. The ayes have it.

4 MR. COFFEY: I would move that we  
5 recommend that the Commission grant -- not grant  
6 reconsideration with regard to the Isakson matter.

7 MR. CAREY: I second.

8 MR. ADOMEIT: Is there any further  
9 discussion? Hearing none, all in favor say aye.  
10 Opposed nay. The ayes have it. I think that's all  
11 we've got, is it not?

12 MR. HERRINGTON: I had a question.

13 MR. CAREY: Please feel free to continue  
14 the discussion. I've got to move on to my next  
15 call. Okay?

16 MR. HERRINGTON: I just had a question on  
17 where we are with the CMERS rehires in terms of  
18 whether we require this committee or the Commission  
19 to work on this and whether this requires us to go  
20 back into executive session, or whether there's kind  
21 of some intermediate step where I could continue to  
22 pursue, you know, the possibility of clarification  
23 from the executive order where we would kind of  
24 resolve the double dipping piece, and we would  
25 clarify that the executive order does not allow for

1 double dipping or we could just interpret it as  
2 written as not allowing for the double dipping and  
3 then allow the kind of Commission to weigh in on the  
4 global kind of authority issue, because I do think  
5 that those are separate, but I would like to get as  
6 much clarity to this population as soon as possible  
7 on that point.

8 MR. ADOMEIT: We should go back into  
9 executive session.

10 MR. ROSE: One question on that. Do we  
11 have a pending legal opinion or legal authority to  
12 go into executive session on that topic? Because I  
13 can say what I'm going to say, I think.

14 MR. ADOMEIT: It's on the agenda.

15 MS. CIESLAK: It's on the agenda. It's  
16 No. 5. Bruce and Alisha sent out a memo, I believe  
17 on Friday.

18 MR. ROSE: Okay.

19 MR. COFFEY: In the memo, the conclusion  
20 there --

21 MR. HERRINGTON: I don't think we can  
22 discuss it except in executive session, I'll wait  
23 for a motion to go back into executive session on  
24 this item.

25 MR. COFFEY: , I'll so move.

1 MR. CASELLA: Second.

2 MS. CIESLAK: And you're inviting  
3 John Herrington and legal counsel?

4 MR. ADOMEIT: Yes.

5 MR. COFFEY: So moved go back into  
6 executive session.

7 MR. CASELLA: Second.

8 (The Subcommittee went into executive  
9 session from 8:38 a.m. until 10:15 a.m.)

10 MR. ADOMEIT: We're back out. Does anyone  
11 want to make a motion on this issue?

12 MR. COFFEY: I'll make the motion. Mike  
13 of, if you want to word it.

14 MR. ROSE: Sure. Go ahead. If somebody  
15 else wants to; otherwise, I will. Let me just  
16 wordsmith this a little bit.

17 That the Commission -- let me just  
18 think of the next verb. The Commission implement  
19 executive order 7L, subsection 3, as directed by the  
20 executive order, and further, that the Commission  
21 discern, through surveys, if any CMERS employees  
22 have exceeded the limitations of 7-438 (b), based on  
23 a return to municipal service as contemplated by the  
24 executive order.

25 MR. ADOMEIT:

1 MR. CASELLA: I'll second it.

2 MR. ADOMEIT: Is there any further  
3 discussion? Hearing none, all in favor say aye.  
4 Opposed nay. The ayes have it.

5 We're out of executive session right  
6 now and we're out of items on the agenda.

7 MR. CASELLA: I'll move to adjourn.

8 MR. COFFEY: I'll second.

9 MR. ADOMEIT: Thank you, Charlie. Thank  
10 you, Bob. All in favor say aye. Opposed nay. The  
11 ayes have it.

12 Thank you all very much. It's been  
13 substantive and interesting day.

14 (Concluded at 10:18 a.m.)

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3 COUNTY OF HARTFORD :

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