

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
STATE EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT COMMISSION
LEGAL AND PERSONNEL SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING

JANUARY 12, 2022 MEETING
HELD VIA ZOOM
CONVENED AT 8:34 a.m.

Present (via Zoom):

Chairman Peter Adomeit
Trustee Robert Coffey
Trustee Michael O'Brien
Trustee Sal Luciano
Commission Counsel, Michael Rose (Rose Kallor, LLP)
Attorney Melinda Powell (Rose Kallor, LLP)
Paralegal, Vicky Pilon (Rose Kallor, LLP)
Commission Tax Counsel, Bruce Barth (Robinson & Cole LLP)
Commission Tax Counsel, Alisha Sullivan (Robinson & Cole LLP)
John Herrington, Retirement Services Division Director

TRANSCRIPTIONIST: Karin A. Empson

1 (Proceedings commenced at 8:34 a.m.)

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5 MR. ADOMEIT: All right. Peter Adomeit here.
6 This is the State Employees Retirement Commission Legal
7 & Personnel Subcommittee meeting being held remotely on
8 January the 12th, 2022. And persons in attendance,
9 Michael Rose; myself, Peter Adomeit; Vicky Pilon; Sal
10 Luciano; Bruce Barth; Bob Coffey; Alisha Sullivan. Oh,
11 there's Michael O'Brien. Hello, Michael.

12 MR. O'BRIEN: Good morning.

13 MR. ADOMEIT: And Alisha Sullivan. Okay,
14 approval of the agenda. Can we have a motion to
15 approve the agenda, please?

16 MR. LUCIANO: So moved, Sal Luciano.

17 MR. ADOMEIT: Is there a second?

18 MR. COFFEY: Bob Coffey, second.

19 MR. ADOMEIT: All in favor, say aye.

20 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: Aye.

21 MR. ADOMEIT: Opposed, nay. The ayes have
22 it.

23 New business, executive session. We need a
24 motion to go in.

25 MR. LUCIANO: So moved, Sal Luciano.

1 MR. COFFEY: Bob Coffey, second.

2 MR. ADOMEIT: All in favor, say aye.

3 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: Aye.

4 MR. ADOMEIT: Opposed, nay. The ayes have
5 it.

6 MR. ROSE: And you're going to invite the
7 usual suspects into executive session?

8 MR. ADOMEIT: Yes, Michael Rose, Bruce Barth,
9 Alisha Sullivan, and Vicky Pilon.

10 MR. ROSE: Okay, Vicky, I'm going to put you
11 in our waiting room if I can figure out how to do that.
12 (Inaudible)

13 MR. ADOMEIT: (Inaudible) her name.

14 MR. ROSE: I'm just going to put her in the
15 waiting room and then you can come out.

16 MR. BARTH: And then you're going to stop
17 recording, Mike; right?

18 MR. ROSE: Yes, sir. Thank you. So that's
19 Vicky in the waiting room, and then the recording is-

20 (The Subcommittee was in executive session
21 from 8:36 a.m. until 9:28 a.m.)

22 MR. ROSE: --turn the recording back on.

23 MR. ADOMEIT: All right.

24 MR. ROSE: Hello, Vicky.

25 MS. PILON: Hi.

1 MR. ROSE: All right, one thing before the
2 Commission gets to its business, can you just make a
3 notation that Attorney Powell was invited into the
4 executive session to discuss the Lathan appeal?

5 MS. PILON: Yes.

6 MR. ROSE: Thank you.

7 MR. ADOMEIT: And so noted. Okay. We need a
8 motion, a recommendation on the Krasinsky case, to send
9 to the full commission.

10 MR. COFFEY: Mr. Chairman, this is Bob. I
11 move that we recommend to the Commission that it deny
12 the Todd Krasinsky request for a declaratory ruling.

13 MR. ADOMEIT: Okay. Any discussion? Is
14 there a second?

15 MR. LUCIANO: I'll second that, Sal Luciano.

16 MR. ADOMEIT: All right. Any discussion?
17 All in favor, say aye.

18 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: Aye.

19 MR. ADOMEIT: Opposed, nay. The ayes have
20 it.

21 Okay, Number 7, Latham.

22 MR. COFFEY: Mr. Chairman, this is Bob
23 Coffey. I'll move that we recommend to the Commission
24 that it deny Douglas Latham's request for a declaratory
25 ruling.

1 MR. ADOMEIT: Is there a second?

2 MR. LUCIANO: Sal Luciano, second.

3 MR. ADOMEIT: Any discussion? Hearing none,
4 all in favor, say aye.

5 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: Aye.

6 MR. ADOMEIT: Opposed, nay. The ayes have
7 it.

8 Kenney, Number 8.

9 MR. COFFEY: Mr. Chairman, Bob Coffey. I
10 move that we recommend to the Commission that it remand
11 the William Kenney matter back to the MEB for
12 consideration of new information.

13 MR. LUCIANO: I second that recommendation to
14 the retirement board.

15 MR. ADOMEIT: Any further discussion?
16 Hearing none, all in favor, say aye.

17 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: Aye.

18 MR. ROSE: And Mr. Chairman, just one
19 clarification.

20 MR. ADOMEIT: Go ahead, Michael, yeah.

21 MR. ROSE: Would you like to be specific
22 about what you want them to review, meaning the email
23 from the vendor?

24 MR. COFFEY: Yes, Mike, thank you. Yep.

25 MR. ADOMEIT: That was the intent.

1 MR. O'BRIEN: The email from his supervisor,
2 yeah.

3 MR. ADOMEIT: So is that part of the motion
4 then, Bob?

5 MR. COFFEY: Yes.

6 MR. ADOMEIT: Okay.

7 MR. LUCIANO: I'll accept it, as the
8 seconder.

9 MR. ADOMEIT: Thank you.

10 MR. O'BRIEN: Yeah, that was the email from
11 the supervisor; right?

12 MR. ROSE: No, there was a note from the
13 supervisor. There's an email from the vendor. That's
14 what he's claiming, that one of the vendors that he
15 worked with, that his email wasn't submitted.

16 MR. O'BRIEN: Yeah, but at the bottom of Page
17 4, it says the only new piece of evidence is the email
18 from Mr. Kenney's supervisor, that apparently his
19 attorney had but didn't - the MEB did not - he had it
20 before the MEB's decision, but the MEB didn't see it.

21 MR. ROSE: Okay. That may be right, Michael.
22 I thought that they had the supervisor's
23 correspondence, just not the vendor's. But in any
24 event, whichever he didn't have, we'll take a look at.
25 Whatever he did not have, we'll pass on.

1 MR. O'BRIEN: Whatever the new evidence is,
2 yeah, correct.

3 MR. ADOMEIT: Yeah, yeah. Okay. All in
4 favor, say aye.

5 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: Aye.

6 MR. ADOMEIT: Opposed, nay. The ayes have
7 it.

8 I think that's it.

9 MR. LUCIANO: I believe a motion to adjourn
10 is in order.

11 MR. COFFEY: Coffey, second.

12 MR. ADOMEIT: Any discussion? All in favor,
13 say aye.

14 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: Aye.

15 MR. ADOMEIT: Opposed, nay. The ayes have
16 it.

17 MR. LUCIANO: Stay safe, everybody.

18 MR. ADOMEIT: Thank you all very much.

19 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you all.

20 MR. ADOMEIT: Turn off the recording, Mike.

21 MR. COFFEY: Bruce, could I - quick question?

22 MR. ADOMEIT: Michael, turn off the
23 recording, please.

24 (Adjourned at 9:31 a.m.)
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certify that the preceding pages are an accurate
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