

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

OCTOBER 11, 2023 MEETING
HELD VIA ZOOM
CONVENED AT 8:33 a.m.

Present (via Zoom):

Chairman Peter Adomeit
Trustee Michael Carey
Trustee Brian Hill
Trustee Michael O'Brien
Commission Counsel Michael Rose (Rose Kallor, LLP)
Commission Counsel Cindy Cieslak (Rose Kallor, LLP)
Commission Tax Counsel Bruce Barth (Robinson & Cole LLP)
Commission Tax Counsel Virginia McGarrity (Robinson & Cole LLP)
Robert Helfand, Retirement Services Division Assistant Director
Benjamin Sedrowski, Retirement Services Division
Yamuna Menon, General Counsel and Assistant Comptroller

TRANSCRIPTIONIST: Karin A. Empson

1 (Proceedings commenced at 8:33 a.m.)

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5 MS. CIESLAK: Give me one second.

6 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Well, there's Michael J.
7 Rose.

8 MR. ROSE: Hey, everybody. It's Mike. I am
9 - I got delayed because I had to drop off my daughter,
10 but I'm listening. And once I get to a safe place, I
11 won't be driving.

12 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Okay. This is the State
13 Employees Retirement Commission Legal & Personnel
14 Subcommittee being held remotely using Zoom technology.
15 I am Peter Adomeit, Chair.

16 Cindy, do you have the attendance, please?

17 MS. CIESLAK: Yes. Good morning. This is
18 Cindy Cieslak. Present today, we have Chairman Peter
19 Adomeit, Trustee Michael Carey, Trustee Brian Hill;
20 from the Retirement Services Division, Robert Helfand,
21 Ben Sedrowski; and from the Office of the State
22 Comptroller and General Counsel to the Comptroller, Yam
23 Menon. From Robinson & Cole, Tax Counsel to the
24 Retirement Commission, we have Bruce Barth and Virginia
25 McGarrity. And from Rose Kallor, General Counsel to

1 the Retirement Commission, we have Cindy Cieslak and
2 Michael Rose.

3 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Okay, thank you. We need
4 a motion to approve the agenda, please.

5 MR. HILL: So moved, Hill.

6 MR. CAREY: Carey, second.

7 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Any discussion? Hearing
8 none, all in favor, say aye or raise your hand.
9 Opposed, nay or raise your hand. The ayes have it,
10 unanimous.

11 New business, executive session, we need a
12 motion to go into executive session, please.

13 MR. HILL: I make a motion to go into
14 executive session. And, Cindy, could you let us know
15 who is going to join?

16 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Yeah, Brian Hill just made
17 the motion.

18 MS. CIESLAK: This is Cindy Cieslak. I
19 believe those who you will invite will include Robert
20 Helfand, Ben Sedrowski, Yam Menon, Bruce Barth,
21 Virginia McGarrity, Cindy Cieslak, and Michael Rose.

22 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Okay.

23 MR. CAREY: And I'll second that motion,
24 Carey.

25 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Okay. All in favor, say

1 aye.

2 MR. CAREY: Aye.

3 MR. HILL: Aye.

4 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Unanimous, the ayes have
5 it. We're now in executive session, or will be
6 shortly.

7 MS. CIESLAK: This is Cindy Cieslak. Ms.
8 Muniz, I'm going to place you in the waiting room while
9 we're in executive session. If you're still in the
10 waiting room when we reenter public session, you'll be
11 invited back in for the public session of our meeting.

12 MS. MUNIZ: Thank you.

13 MS. CIESLAK: Yep.

14 (The subcommittee was in executive session
15 from 8:33 a.m. until 9:02 a.m.)

16 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Okay. Are we all set now,
17 Cindy?

18 MS. CIESLAK: (Inaudible) you can proceed.
19 Yes, you can proceed.

20 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: All right. We need a
21 motion, please, on Yvonne Muniz' case.

22 MR. CAREY: Mr. Chairman, this is Mike Carey.
23 Regarding the Muniz matter, I move that the
24 subcommittee recommend to the full commission that,
25 based upon the record that is before us, that a request

1 for reconsideration be denied.

2 MR. HILL: Second, Brian Hill.

3 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Any further discussion?

4 Hearing none, all in favor, say aye or raise your hand.

5 It's unanimous; the ayes have it.

6 Okay. We need a motion to adjourn.

7 MR. CAREY: Carey, so moved.

8 MR. HILL: Hill, second.

9 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: All in favor, say aye or

10 raise your hand. Opposed, nay or raise your hand.

11 It's unanimous; the ayes have it.

12 Thank you all very much.

13 MR. CAREY: Thank you.

14 (Adjourned at 9:03 a.m.)

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