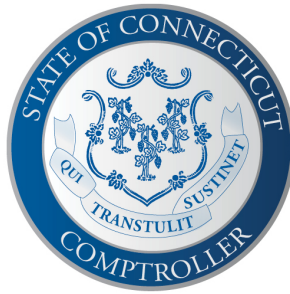


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A regular meeting of the State Employees Retirement Commission (the “Commission”) was held on October 15, 2026. The meeting was held electronically via Zoom. The meeting convened at 9:00 a.m. and the following members of the Commission were present:

- Peter Adomeit, Chairman
- Karen Buffkin, Trustee
- Michael Carey, Trustee
- Carl Chisem, Trustee
- John Disette, Trustee
- Tara Downes, Deputy Comptroller, Ex Officio Member
- Brian Hill, Trustee
- Sal Luciano, Trustee
- Michael O’Brien, Trustee
- Claude Poulin, Trustee
- Ted Wright, Chief Investment Officer, Office of the Treasurer, Ex Officio Member

Absent:

- Michael Bailey, Trustee
- Rebecca Simonsen, Trustee

Also present were:

- Cindy Cieslak, General Counsel to the Commission, Rose Kallor
- Robert Helfand, Assistant Director, Retirement Services Division
- John Herrington, Director, Retirement Services Division
- Ed Koebel, CavMac
- Larry Langer, CavMac
- Virginia McGarrity, Tax Counsel, Robinson & Cole
- Yamuna Menon, Assistant Comptroller and General Counsel
- Benjamin Sedrowski, Planning Specialist, Retirement Services Division

Call to Order

Chairman Adomeit called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m. Ms. Cieslak identified those in attendance.

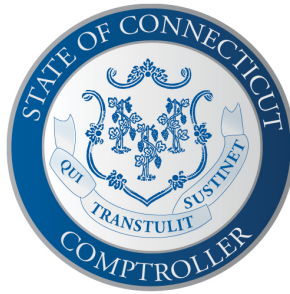
At 9:09 a.m., Mr. Poulin moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to amend the agenda to include as Item 18:

- Commission acceptance of the Connecticut Judges, Family Support Magistrates, and Compensation Commissioners Retirement System Experience Study for the Five-Year Period Ending June 30, 2025.

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All voted in favor.

The Chair called for Item 18 to be taken up first.

At 9:10 a.m., Ms. Buffkin moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to accept the Connecticut Judges, Family Support Magistrates, and Compensation Commissioners Retirement System Experience Study for the Five-Year Period Ending June 30, 2025. All voted in favor.

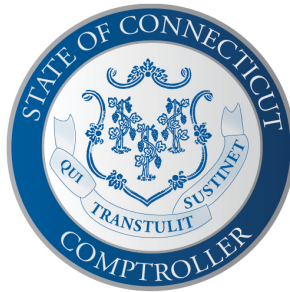
New Matters

1. Request Commission Approval of SERC minutes w/ Directors Report for the September 2026 meeting.
 - i. At 9:10 a.m., Ms. Buffkin moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to approve the SERC minutes w/ Directors Report for the September 2026 meeting.
 - ii. Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion he called for a vote.
 - iii. The Commission voted unanimously in favor to approve the SERC minutes w/ Directors Report for the September 2026 meeting.
2. Request Commission Approval of the Connecticut SERS Expenses for September 2026.
 - i. At 9:11 a.m., Ms. Buffkin moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to approve the Connecticut SERS Expenses for September 2026.
 - ii. Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion he called for a vote.
 - iii. The Commission voted unanimously in favor to approve the Connecticut SERS Expenses for September 2026.
3. Request Commission Approval of the State Employees Retirement Commission Chairman's Per Diem Expenses for September 2026.
 - i. At 9:11 a.m., Ms. Buffkin moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to approve the State Employees Retirement Commission Chairman's Per Diem Expenses for September 2026.
 - ii. Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion he called for a vote.
 - iii. The Commission voted unanimously in favor to approve the State Employees Retirement Commission Chairman's Per Diem Expenses for September 2026.
4. Request Commission Acceptance of the Invoices from Rose Kallor for September 2026.
 - i. At 9:11 a.m., Ms. Buffkin moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to accept the invoices from Rose Kallor for September 2026.
 - ii. Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion he called for a vote.
 - iii. The Commission voted unanimously in favor to accept the invoices from Rose Kallor for September 2026.
5. Request Commission Acceptance of the Invoices from Robinson and Cole for Federal Tax Matter Services for September 2026.

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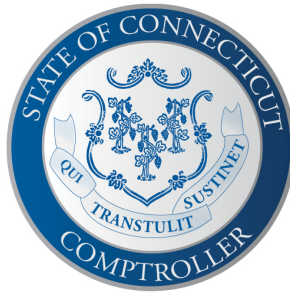
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- i. At 9:12 a.m., Ms. Buffkin moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to accept the invoices from Robinson and Cole for Federal Tax Matter Services for September 2026.
 - ii. Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion he called for a vote.
 - iii. The Commission voted unanimously in favor to accept the invoices from Robinson and Cole for Federal Tax Matter Services for September 2026.
6. Request Commission Approval of the State Employees Retirement Commission Union Trustee Claude Poulin's Per Diem and Travel Expenses Reimbursement for September 2026.
 - i. At 9:12 a.m., Ms. Buffkin moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to approve the State Employees Retirement Commission Union Trustee Claude Poulin's Per Diem and Travel Expenses Reimbursement September 2026.
 - ii. Mr. Poulin abstained.
 - iii. Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion he called for a vote.
 - iv. The Commission voted unanimously in favor, with Mr. Poulin abstaining, to approve the State Employees Retirement Commission Union Trustee Claude Poulin's Per Diem and Travel Expenses Reimbursement for September 2026.
7. Request Commission Approval of the Connecticut State Employees Retirement System Service Retirements for September 2026.
 - i. At 9:12 a.m., Ms. Buffkin moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to approve the Connecticut State Employees Retirement System Service Retirements for September 2026.
 - ii. Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion he called for a vote.
 - iii. The Commission voted unanimously in favor to approve the Connecticut State Employees Retirement System Service Retirements for September 2026.
8. Request Commission Approval of the Connecticut State Employees Retirement System Voluntary Pending Retirements for September 2026.
 - i. At 9:13 a.m., Ms. Buffkin moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to approve the Connecticut State Employees Retirement System Voluntary Pending Retirements for September 2026.
 - ii. Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion he called for a vote.
 - iii. The Commission voted unanimously in favor to approve the Connecticut State Employees Retirement System Voluntary Pending Retirements for September 2026.
9. Request Commission Approval of the Connecticut State Employees Retirement System Disability Retirements for September 2026.
 - i. At 9:13 a.m., Ms. Buffkin moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to approve the Connecticut State Employees Retirement System Disability Retirements for September 2026.
 - ii. Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion, the Chairman called for a vote.
 - iii. The Commission voted unanimously in favor to approve the Connecticut State Employees Retirement System Disability Retirements for September 2026.

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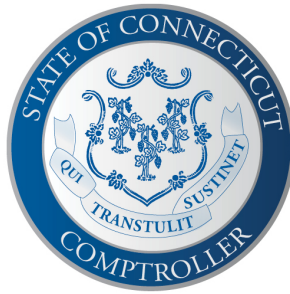
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10. Request Commission Acceptance of the Recommendations by the Medical Examining Board for Continued Entitlement Approvals for September 2026.
 - i. At 9:13 a.m., Ms. Buffkin moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to accept the Recommendations by the Medical Examining Board for Continued Entitlement Approvals for September 2026.
 - ii. Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion, the Chairman called for a vote.
 - iii. The Commission voted unanimously in favor to accept the Recommendations by the Medical Examining Board for Continued Entitlement Approvals for September 2026.
11. Request Commission Acceptance of the Recommendations by the Medical Examining Board for Continued Entitlement Tabled and Denials for September 2026.
 - i. At 9:14 a.m., Ms. Buffkin moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to accept the Recommendations by the Medical Examining Board for Continued Entitlement Tabled and Denials for September 2026.
 - ii. Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion, the Chairman called for a vote.
 - iii. The Commission voted unanimously in favor to accept the Recommendations by the Medical Examining Board for Continued Entitlement Tabled and Denials for September 2026.
12. Request Commission Approval of the RSD to Discontinue Disability Apps. 1-Year Limitations for September 2026.
 - i. At 9:14 a.m., Ms. Buffkin moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to approve the request of RSD to Discontinue Disability Apps. 1-Year Limitations for September 2026.
 - ii. Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion, the Chairman called for a vote.
 - iii. The Commission voted unanimously in favor to approve the request of RSD to Discontinue Disability Apps. 1-Year Limitations for September 2026.
13. Request Commission Approval of the Probate Judges and Employees Retirement Fund Personnel Expenses for July, August, and September 2026.
 - i. At 9:15 a.m., Ms. Buffkin moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to approve the Probate Judges and Employees Retirement Fund Personnel Expenses for July, August, and September 2026.
 - ii. Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion, the Chairman called for a vote.
 - iii. The Commission voted unanimously in favor to approve the Probate Judges and Employees Retirement Fund Personnel Expenses for July, August, and September 2026.
14. Request Commission Review and Acceptance of the Judges, Family Support Magistrates, and Compensation Commission Retirement Fund Statement of Operations and Balance Sheet for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2026.

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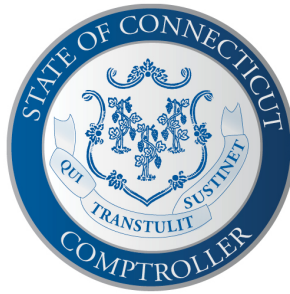
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- i. At 9:15 a.m., Ms. Buffkin moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to accept the Judges, Family Support Magistrates, and Compensation Commission Retirement Fund Statement of Operations and Balance Sheet for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2026.
 - ii. Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion, the Chairman called for a vote.
 - iii. The Commission voted unanimously in favor to accept the Judges, Family Support Magistrates, and Compensation Commission Retirement Fund Statement of Operations and Balance Sheet for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2026.
15. Request Commission Review and Acceptance of the Public Defenders Retirement Fund Statement of Operations and Balance Sheet for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2026.
 - i. At 9:15 a.m., Ms. Buffkin moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to accept the Public Defenders Retirement Fund Statement of Operations and Balance Sheet for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2026.
 - ii. Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion, the Chairman called for a vote.
 - iii. The Commission voted unanimously in favor to accept the Public Defenders Retirement Fund Statement of Operations and Balance Sheet for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2026.
16. Request Commission Review and Acceptance of the State Attorneys Retirement Fund Statement of Operations and Balance Sheet for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2026.
 - i. At 9:16 a.m., Ms. Buffkin moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to accept the State Attorneys Retirement Fund Statement of Operations and Balance Sheet for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2026.
 - ii. Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion, the Chairman called for a vote.
 - iii. The Commission voted unanimously in favor to accept the State Attorneys Retirement Fund Statement of Operations and Balance Sheet for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2026.
17. Request Commission Review and Acceptance of the State Employees Retirement System (SERS) Statement of Operations and Balance Sheet for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2026.
 - i. At 9:16 a.m., Ms. Buffkin moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to accept the State Employees Retirement System (SERS) Statement of Operations and Balance Sheet for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2026.
 - ii. Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion, the Chairman called for a vote.
 - iii. The Commission voted unanimously in favor to accept the State Employees Retirement System (SERS) Statement of Operations and Balance Sheet for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2026.

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Executive Session – discussion and possible action

1. Lisa Jones request for reconsideration – written legal opinion.
2. Patrick Butler v. SERC – pending litigation/pending claim.
3. William Kenney v. SERC – pending litigation/pending claim.
4. Lori LaPrise v. SERC – pending litigation/pending claim.
5. William Pagoni v. SERC – pending litigation/pending claim.

At 9:18 a.m., Ms. Buffkin moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to suspend the regular meeting and go into executive session for the purpose of discussing Items 1-5. Cindy Cieslak, Robert Helfand, John Herrington, Virginia McGarrity, Yamuna Menon, and Benjamin Sedrowski were invited by the Commission to stay for executive session on Items 1-5 because they may give opinions or factual background with respect to the topics at issue. The Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion he called for a vote. The Commission voted unanimously in favor to enter executive session to discuss Items 1-5.

At 9:32 a.m., Ms. Buffkin moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to exit executive session. The Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion he called for a vote. The Commission voted unanimously to exit executive session.

Public Session

At 9:32 a.m., Mr. Luciano moved, seconded by Ms. Buffkin to grant Ms. Jones' request to appear before the Retirement Commission in connection with her request for reconsideration. All voted in favor.

Adjournment

With no further business before the Commission, Mr. Luciano moved, seconded by Ms. Buffkin to adjourn the meeting at 9:32 a.m. The Commission voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Peter Adomeit, Chairman

Prepared by John Herrington
Director Retirement Services Division