

**ATLANTIC COUNTY INSURANCE COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING
JUNE 5, 2023**

11:00 AM

MEETING BEING HELD TELEPHONICALLY

Call-in Number: 929-205-6099

Meeting ID: 923 0740 0370

or

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The Atlantic County Insurance Commission will conduct its June 5, 2023 special meeting telephonically & via the Zoom platform, in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq. During a remote meeting, participants, including members of the public, may be muted by the host, however there will be an opportunity for them to participate and speak during the public portion of the meeting where participants will be unmuted at their request.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT - STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting was given by:

- I. Advertising the notice in the Press of Atlantic City**
- II. Filing advance written notice of this meeting with the Commissioners of the Atlantic County Insurance Commission; and**
- III. Posting notice on the Public Bulletin Board in the Atlantic County Office Building**

**ATLANTIC COUNTY INSURANCE COMMISSION
AGENDA
OPEN PUBLIC SPECIAL MEETING**

- MEETING CALLED TO ORDER - OPEN PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE READ**
 - ROLL CALL OF COMMISSIONERS**

 - EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**
 - Appointing Legal Counsel in a Civil Litigation Matter** - There is a need to appoint Legal Counsel in a pending Litigation Matter. The Commission Attorney will provide a brief review. Resolution 17-23 appears on page 2.

 - Motion to Approve Resolution 17-23 to Appoint Christopher Wolk of the law firm of Blumberg & Wolk to provide legal services.

 - OLD BUSINESS**
 - NEW BUSINESS**
 - PUBLIC COMMENT**
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- NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: July 14, 2023**
 - MEETING ADJOURNMENT**

RESOLUTION NO. 17-23

**ATLANTIC COUNTY INSURANCE COMMISSION
RESOLUTION APPOINTING LEGAL COUNSEL IN A CIVIL LITIGATION MATTER**

WHEREAS, Atlantic County was named in a lawsuit which involves an in-custody death at the Atlantic County Justice Facility; and

WHEREAS, the County originally retained the services of a law firm who was representing the County and each of the corrections officers named in that lawsuit; and

WHEREAS, three of the officers have since been indicted by a State Grand Jury which necessitates the County providing a separate attorney for each of those officers; and

WHEREAS, the County, through the Atlantic County Insurance Commission, has approved attorneys to represent two of the three officers who require separate counsel; and

WHEREAS, due to the nature of the case which presents significant issues of medical causation and liability issues under the civil rights statutes and both the United States and New Jersey constitutions; and

WHEREAS, a recommendation has been made to County Counsel, who also serves as counsel to the Atlantic County Insurance Commission, that it would benefit the defense to hire an attorney to represent one of the officers who has extensive experience in cases involving complex medical issues and issues of civil rights; and

WHEREAS, Christopher Wolk, Esquire of the Blumberg & Wolk law firm of Woodbury, New Jersey comes highly recommended for that assignment; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Atlantic County Insurance Commission to pass a resolution to authorize the retention of Mr. Wolk to provide representation in this case;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commissioners of the Atlantic County Insurance Commission that they do hereby approve the retention of Christopher Wolk, Esquire of the Blumberg & Wolk law firm of Woodbury, New Jersey who will provide services for Officer Jenigen and will bill at the hourly rate of \$220 per hour.

ADOPTED by the Atlantic County Insurance Commission at a properly noticed special meeting held on June 5, 2023.

ADOPTED:

BY: _____
Jacqueline R. Woods, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Tammi Robbins, Vice Chairperson