

# **MINUTES OF THE JUNE 27, 2024 REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL ON JUDICIAL COMPLAINTS**

The Council on Judicial Complaints convened a Regular Meeting on June 27, 2024, at 1:00 p.m., in the Board Room at the Oklahoma Bar Center at 1901 North Lincoln, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105. Notice of the regularly scheduled June 2024 Meeting of the Council on Judicial Complaints was filed with the Secretary of State on December 1, 2023. The meeting time was amended to 1 p.m. and the location was amended to the Board Room by Notice given to the Secretary of State on June 17, 2024. The meeting's agenda was posted in the front entryway of the Oklahoma Bar Center and on the Council on Judicial Complaints website on or before June 26, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. Chairwoman Cathy Christensen, Member Zack Taylor, Patricia Parrish, Esq., Brad West, Esq., and Administrative Director Taylor Henderson were present in-person at the above-described location at 1:00 p.m. Vice Chairman Rick Rose arrived at 1:10 p.m. Attorney Angela Ailles Bahm, whose term as a member of the Council on Judicial Complaints was set to begin July 1, 2024, attended the meeting as a member of the public. Prior to the meeting being called to order, Justice Douglas Combs of the Oklahoma Supreme Court was in attendance to present Chairwoman Cathy Christensen with a commendation for her 10 years of service to the Council on Judicial Complaints. The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Cathy Christensen at 1:36 p.m.

Administrative Director Henderson presented the minutes for the May 23, 2024 Regular Meeting of the Council on Judicial Complaints. Vice Chairman Rick Rose moved that the minutes of the May 23, 2024 Regular Meeting of the Council on Judicial Complaints be approved as presented. Member Zack Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried with the affirmative votes of Member Zack Taylor, Vice Chairman Rick Rose, and Chairwoman Cathy Christensen.

Administrative Director Taylor Henderson presented and the Council considered the Administrative Director's FY 2024 Claims and Expenditures Report and associated 6-Digit Detail Expenditure Report. Vice Chairman Rick Rose moved to approve the FY 2024 Claims and Expenditure report as presented. Member Zack Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried with the affirmative votes of Member Zack Taylor, Vice Chairman Rick Rose, and Chairwoman Cathy Christensen.

Administrative Director Henderson presented the FY 2024 fee collection report to date. Vice Chairman Rick Rose moved to approve the FY 2024 fee collection report to date as presented. Member Zack Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried with the affirmative votes of Member Zack Taylor, Vice Chairman Rick Rose, and Chairwoman Cathy Christensen.

Administrative Director Henderson presented the proposed FY 2025 Budget Work Program which reflected amendments requested by Members Zack Taylor and Vice Chairman Rick Rose as the May 23, 2024 Regular Meeting of the Council on Judicial Complaints. Vice Chairman Rick Rose moved to accept and adopt the FY 2025 Budget Work Program as presented. Member Zack Taylor seconded the motion.

Administrative Director Henderson presented the ongoing contracts, subscriptions, and recurring expenses for FY 2025 as set forth in agenda items 3(i)(1)-3(i)(6). Member Zack Taylor moved to approve the FY 2025 contracts, subscriptions, and recurring expenses as presented. Vice Chairman Richard Rose seconded the motion. The motion carried with the affirmative votes of Member Zack Taylor, Vice Chairman Richard Rose, and Chairwoman Cathy Christensen. The motion carried with the affirmative votes of Member Zack Taylor, Vice Chairman Rick Rose, and Chairwoman Cathy Christensen.

Administrative Director Henderson requested approval of expenditures for out of state travel to attend the Association of Judicial Disciplinary Counsel annual meeting and presentations in July 2024.

The Council Members discussed and agreed that it was not necessary to enter Executive Session. In open meeting, the Council discussed the employment and salary of the Director of the Council on Judicial Complaints. Member Zack Taylor moved to increase the salary for the Director's position to \$160,000 per year to begin July 1, 2024. Vice Chairman Rick Rose seconded the motion. The motion carried with the affirmative votes of Member Zack Taylor, Vice Chairman Rick Rose, and Chairwoman Cathy Christensen. In open meeting, the Council discussed the employment and salary of the Council's Principal Assistant. Vice Chairman Rick Rose moved to increase the salary for the Principal Assistant's position to \$80,000 per year to begin July 1, 2024. Member Zack Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried with the affirmative votes of Member Zack Taylor, Vice Chairman Rick Rose, and Chairwoman Cathy Christensen. The Council discussed the salary of the General Counsel of the Council on Judicial Complaints, an unfilled position. Member Zack Taylor moved to establish the salary for the incoming General Counsel of the Council on Judicial Complaints at \$135,000 per year. Vice Chairman Richard Rose seconded the motion. The motion carried with the affirmative votes of Member Zack Taylor, Vice Chairman Rick Rose, and Chairwoman Cathy Christensen.

Chairwoman Cathy Christensen moved to appoint Vice Chairman Rick Rose as the Chairman of the Council on Judicial Complaints for the year beginning July 1, 2024. Member Zack Taylor Seconded the Motion. The motion carried with the affirmative votes of Member Zack Taylor, Vice Chairman Rick Rose, and Chairwoman Cathy Christensen.


Vice Chairman Rick Rose moved to appoint future member Angela Ailles Bahm as Vice Chair of the Council on Judicial Complaints and Zack Taylor as Member of the Council on Judicial Complaints for the year beginning July 1, 2024. Zack Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried with the affirmative votes of Member Zack Taylor, Vice Chairman Rick Rose, and Chairwoman Cathy Christensen.

There was no new business to discuss.

Vice Chairman Rick Rose moved to adjourn the public meeting to conduct, discuss, or deliberate matters relating to complaints received or initiated by the Council on Judicial Complaints. Member Zack Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried with affirmative votes of Chairwoman Cathy Christensen, Vice Chairman Richard Rose, and Member Zack Taylor.

APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL ON JUDICIAL COMPLAINTS

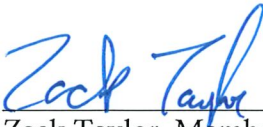
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Rick Rose, Chairman

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Angela Ailles Bahm, Vice Chairwoman

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Zack Taylor, Member