



PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS QUALIFICATION COMMISSION

State of Georgia

Investigative Panel Open Meeting Summary

Wednesday, April 9, 2025

4:00pm

Walton County Government Bldg

303 Hammond Drive

- 1) CALL TO ORDER
- 2) DETERMINATION OF QUORUM: Quorum present
 - All Investigative Panel Commissioners present:
District Attorney Randy McGinley, Chairman, Judge John Ott, Commissioner, Mr. Jason Saliba, Commissioner, Joey Cowart, Commissioner, Steve Scheet, Commissioner
 - All PAQC Staff present:
Ian Heap, Executive Director, Barbara Baucum, Executive Assistant, Greg Blackmon, Special Commission Investigator
 - Members of the Public: Jermaine Day, Kenneth Bates, Dwayne Howell, Keith Barber, Javier Trejo
- 3) APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MARCH MEETING: Motion from Randy to pass, with a Second from Jason Saliba. All IP Commissioners voted Aye to pass.
- 4.) CHAIRPERSONS COMMENTS: Randy McGinley welcomed members of the public who had joined the meeting and mentioned that there were some things on the agenda that would be done publicly and there were also some things that we will likely have to go into a closed session based on the nature of the statute and the status of those investigations. No other comments.
- 5) DIRECTOR'S REPORT
 - a) Legislative Update-
 - a. SB 218 (retirement bill) did not pass, but it is still alive for next year.
 - b. SB 216 status unknown (reported out of committee, but 2nd lowest priority for study).
 - c. The FY2026 budget DOES move us from PAC to AOC. There will be no increase and no cuts. This will be effective July 1, 2025.

- b) Financial Report: we are within budget and on track to meet projections.
 - c) If there are any costs for any conflict matters, spending should be made in FY2025. Randy McGinley said the offer date for the Conflict Attorney will be April 15, 2025.
 - d) Office update: The PAQC is still renting a month-to-month space share and anticipates signing a lease soon. The contract for the office space has gone through the Attorney General's office and has been signed off on. It's gone to the landlord for approval and signature.
- 6) EXECUTIVE SESSION TO HANDLE DOCKET : All cases are still statutorily confidential. Public guests were placed in the meeting waiting room until the Executive session was over. A motion was made by Randy McGinley to go into Executive session, and it was seconded by Steve Scheer. All Commissioners voted Aye.
- 7) OLD BUSINESS: None
- 8) NEW BUSINESS: Director Heap spoke to the Commissioners about getting their credentials, including an ID badge, business cards, and other items. Randy McGinley said the next meeting would be on May 16th, 2025. He thanked the public for attending.
- 9) ADJOURN: A motion was made to adjourn at 5:23 pm and seconded by Randy McGinley. All voted Aye. Meeting adjourned.