## MINUTES OF THE ILLINOIS WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION WORKERS' COMPENSATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING HELD ON JUNE 20, 2023 AT 10:00 AM

## **Board Members Present via Webex:**

Aaron Anderson

Mark Denzler

Tim Drea

Karen Harris

Robert Karr

Jill Kastner

Denne Knell

Mitchell Horwitz

## **Not Present:**

Mark Prince

Sean Stott

## **IWCC Members Present in Person:**

Michael J. Brennan, Chairman

Ronald Rascia, General Counsel

Annette Roti, Confidential Assistant to the Chairman

Michele Kowalski, Secretary of the Commission

Whitney Martin, Research and Education Manager

Cole Garrett, Assistant General Counsel (via WebEx)

On June 20, 2023 at 10:04 AM, Chairman Michael J. Brennan called the Workers' Compensation Commission Advisory Board meeting to order. Michael Kowalski took roll and verified that a quorum was present.

Chairman Brennan asked for a Motion to go into Closed Session to discuss personnel matters, pursuant to Sections 2(c)(1) and (3) of the Open Meetings Act. Mr. Denzler so moved; Mr. Drea seconded the Motion. The Motion to move to Closed Session carried unanimously, and the Board moved to closed session at 10:07 AM.

At 10:10 AM, after discussion in closed session, upon Motion by Mr. Drea and seconded by Mr. Denzler and approved unanimously, the Board reconvened in Open Session. A verbatim audio-video recording of the closed meeting was made within the WebEx application and will be maintained by the Commission.

Chairman Brennan asked the members if anyone had any new or old business to discuss. Mr. Denzler stated that Mr. Knell and Ms. Kastner will take no position on the arbitrator candidates, as they are both practicing attorneys. Mr. Horwitz stated that he votes with Labor.

Chairman Brennan announced the retirement of Sara Swieca, Court Reporter Manager and thanked her for her service.

Chairman Brennan asked if there was any member of the public on the call. There being none, he asked if there was a Motion to Adjourn. Ms. Kastner so moved. Mr. Horwitz seconded the Motion and the Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 11:44 AM.