

**PENNSYLVANIA HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION  
MINUTES OF PUBLIC COMMISSION MEETING  
September 20, 2021**

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the meeting convened virtually at 2:25 PM, on Monday, September 20, 2021.

**ATTENDANCE:**

Commissioners:

Joel Bolstein, Chair  
Dr. Raquel O. Yiengst, Vice Chair (excused)  
Mayur Patel, Secretary  
Rad Agrawal (absent)  
George Dawson (absent)  
Michael Hardiman  
Curtis Jones (excused)  
Adrian Shanker  
Aleena Sorathia

Staff:

Chad Dion Lassiter, Executive Director  
Samuel Rivera, Chief Counsel  
Morgan Williams, Deputy Chief Counsel  
Carl Summerson, Hearing Examiner  
Guerline Laurore, Esq., Director of Policy & Intergovernmental Affairs  
Adrian Garcia, Director of Fair Housing and Commercial Property  
Kurt Jung, Director of Enforcement  
Laura Argenbright, Director of Communications  
Lyle Wood, Pittsburgh Regional Office Director  
Heather Roth, Harrisburg Regional Office Director  
Debbie Walters, Administrative Officer  
Anja Mijocevic, Special Assistant to Executive Director

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Bolstein called the meeting to order. The meeting had been advertised and was open to the public, in accordance with the provisions of the Sunshine Act. Prior to the meeting, in keeping with the confidentiality requirements of the Sunshine Act; there had been a closed session to discuss compliance matters.

Attendance was taken and a quorum was noted.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION:**

Commissioner Patel made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bolstein to approve the minutes of the August Public Meeting. Commissioners Sorathia, Hardiman, and Shanker abstained. With all remaining in favor, motion carried.

**WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Executive Director Lassiter welcomed the staff and opened the monthly meeting with a moment of silence for those who lost their lives from Covid, in Afghanistan, Haiti, and Commissioner Jones' loss of his son.

Executive Director Lassiter and Director of Communications Argenbright commenced with the presentation of awards to Commissioners and staff.

**MANAGEMENT REPORTS**

Current highlights of division activities and upcoming outreach events were shared during the Compliance session.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

None

**NEXT SESSION**

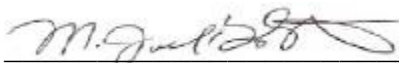
The next Public Session will be held Monday, September 20, 2021, at 2:00 PM. The September meetings will be held in-person at the Harrisburg Office location. The Public Session will not be open to the public; however, guests interested in attending may join by phone.

**ADJOURNMENT**

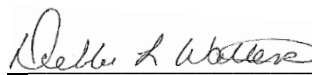
**MOTION:**

Commissioner Patel made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Hardiman to adjourn. With all in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



M. Joel Bolstein  
Chairman



o/b/o Mayur Patel  
Mayur Patel  
Secretary