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PENNSYLVANIA HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

M I N U T E S

TIME: 3:03 P.M.

Held at
Honors Suite
333 Market Street
Harrisburg, PA 17101

March 25, 2024

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Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission
March 25, 2024

COMMISSIONERS:

- Joel Bolstein, Esquire, Chair - Absent
- Dr. Raquel O. Yiengst, Vice Chair
- Mayur Patel, Esquire, Secretary - Absent
- Dr. Rad Agrawal - Absent
- Michael Hardiman, Esquire - Absent
- Curtis Jones - Absent
- Aleena Sorathia - Absent

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Chad Dion Lassiter, MSW

CHIEF COUNSEL

Meredith Millard, Esquire

COMMISSION COUNSEL

John Brubaker, Esquire

STAFF PRESENT:

- Amanda Brothman, Director of Communications
- Desiree Chang, Director of Education
- Adrian Garcia, Director of Enforcement
- Caroline Eister, Director of Fair Housing and Commercial Property
- Darlene Hemerka, Esquire, Hearing Examiner
- Tamara Shehadeh-Cope, Hearing Examiner
- Heather Roth, Regional Office Director, Harrisburg - Absent
- Robert Lindsey, Regional Office Director
- Ashley Walkowiak, Director of Policy, Intergovernmental Affairs and Mediation
- Debbie Walters, Administrative Officer (Via telephone)
- La Dawn Robinson, Regional Office Director, Pittsburgh
- Zulay Rojas, Special Assistant to Executive Director

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MEETING CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING STATEMENT

The time is now 3:03 p.m.

Welcome to the public meeting of the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission. We are pleased to have you join us.

Pursuant to Section 711 (a) of the Sunshine Act, 65 P.S. § 711(a), this Commission meeting may be recorded by attendees. Voluntary participation in the meeting constitutes consent to be recorded. The meeting has been advertised in accordance with the provisions of the Sunshine Act. Prior to the meeting and in keeping with the confidentiality requirements of the Sunshine Act, there was a closed session to discuss compliance matters, management updates, and adjudicative case deliberations.

After concluding with the business portion of the meeting, guests will be invited introduce themselves and their organizations. Guests will have an opportunity to briefly address the Commission. Comments are welcomed about equal opportunity and Civil Rights issues or problems of discrimination. The Commission values partnerships in promoting equal

1 opportunity and to hear about the work of
2 organizations represented; however, the Commission
3 cannot hear specifics of open investigations or cases
4 they may have to rule on in the future.

5 Raquel O. Yiengst, Vice Chair, convened the
6 monthly meeting of the Pennsylvania Human Relations
7 Commission. There were no Commissioners or members
8 of the public present or via Microsoft Teams. Vice
9 Chair Yiengst noted there was not a quorum present.]

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11 [The meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.]

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13 [The next meeting is scheduled for April 29, 2024.]

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I hereby certify that the foregoing summary minutes of the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission, was reduced to writing by me or under my supervision, and that the minutes accurately summarize the substance of the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission meeting.



Derek Richmond,
Minute Clerk
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M. Joel Bolstein, Chairman



o/b/o Commissioner Mayur Patel

Mayur Patel, Secretary