

**PENNSYLVANIA HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION  
MINUTES OF COMMISSION MEETING  
OF NOVEMBER 17, 2025**

The meeting was convened at 3:02 p.m., on Monday, November 17, 2025 and was conducted virtually via Microsoft Teams.

**ATTENDANCE:**

Commissioners present:

Joel Bolstein, Esq. Chair  
Dr. Raquel O. Yiengst, Vice Chair  
Mayur Patel, Esq.  
Dr. Radheshyam Agrawal (Absent)  
Michael Hardiman, Esq.  
Curtis Jones (Absent)  
Aleena Sorathia, Esq. (Absent)

Staff present:

Amanda Brothman, Director of Communications  
Alana Burman, Director of Policy, Intergovernmental Affairs and Mediation  
Desiree Chang, Director of Education  
Caroline Griffin, Director of Fair Housing and Commercial Property  
Adrian Garcia, Director of Enforcement  
Joseph Green, II, Esq., Chief Counsel  
Amber Harris, Regional Office Director -Philadelphia  
Chad Dion Lassiter, MSW, Executive Director (absent)  
Melissa Lovett, Esq., Commission Counsel  
Darlene Martin, Esq., Hearing Examiner  
Sheryl Meck, Director of Civil Rights & Outreach Division  
La Dawn Robinson, Regional Office Director -Pittsburgh  
Heather Roth, Regional Office Director - Harrisburg  
Tamara Shehadeh-Cope, Esq., Hearing Examiner  
Debbie Walters, Enforcement Administration  
Morgan Williams, Esq., Deputy Chief Counsel

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Bolstein called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. He further announced that this meeting has been advertised 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, management updates and adjudicative case deliberations.

After concluding with the business portion of the meeting, I will invite guests to introduce yourselves and any organizations you represent. Guests will have an opportunity to briefly address the commission. We welcome public comments about equal opportunity and civil rights issues or problems of discrimination. Any statements expressed during the public session by members of the public represent the opinions and beliefs of the speaker and not the opinions and beliefs of the Commission.

We value the public's partnership in promoting equal opportunity and would love to hear about the work of organizations represented; however, the commission cannot hear specifics of open investigations or cases they may have to rule on in the future.

The monthly meeting of the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission is hereby convened. I note the presence of a quorum and call the meeting to order.

**INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS**

Chairman Bolstein noted there was one guests in attendance who wished to remain anonymous.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Chair Bolstein called for a motion to adopt the agenda for the Meeting.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Yiengst made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Hardiman to adopt the agenda. With all in favor, motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chair Bolstein called for a motion to approve the minutes of the October Public Meeting as written.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Yiengst made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Patel to approve the minutes of the October Public Meeting. With no questions or changes, and all in favor, motion carried unanimously.

**REQUESTS FOR PRELIMINARY HEARING**

Chair Bolstein noted there are four case recommendations for requests for a Preliminary Hearing. Case numbers are: 202400400; 202400574; 202400920; and 202401071 and are referenced as agenda items 5 through 8.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Yiengst made a motion to deny the requests for Preliminary Hearing, seconded by Commissioner Patel. With all in favor, motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Yiengst made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Hardiman to adjourn. With all in favor, the meeting was adjourned. The next Public Meeting of the Commission will be held December 22, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,



---

Joel Bolstein, Esq.  
Chairperson



o/b/o Commissioner Mayur Patel

---

Mayur Patel, Esq.  
Secretary