MISSISSIPPI TORT CLAIMS BOARD SPECIAL MEETING

MINUTES October 3, 2024

The Mississippi Tort Claims Board called a special meeting for the purpose of discussing pending litigation. This meeting was held on Thursday, October 3, 2024 at 1:30 p.m., in Room 138, Woolfolk State Office Building; 501 North West Street, Jackson, Mississippi.

The following members were present, constituting a quorum:

Mr. Phillip Buffington, Chairman

Ms. Christina Kelsey, Representing MS Insurance Commissioner Mike Chaney

Ms. Kim Turner, Representing Mississippi Attorney General Lynn Fitch

Mr. David McRae, Mississippi State Treasurer

Ms. Denita Griffith, Representing MS Department of Public Safety Commissioner Sean Tindell

Ms. Liz Welch, Director, MS Department of Finance and Administration

Mr. Ted Lampton, Representing Chris Wells, MS Department of Environmental Quality

Also present were:

Mr. Robert J. Dambrino, III, Esq., Gore, Kilpatrick, and Dambrino, PLLC

Ms. Liz Bolin, MS Department of Finance and Administration

Mr. Mike Lanford, MS Department of Finance and Administration

Ms. Karen McKlemurry, Office of Insurance/Tort Claims Board Staff

Ms. Amanda Rayburn, Tort Claims Board

Mr. Dan Smith, Office of the Attorney General

Mr. Brice Wiggins, Mississippi State Senate

Mr. Chad Williams, MS Department of Public Safety

Mr. Phillip Buffington, Chairman, called the meeting to order.

A motion was made by Ms. Kim Turner to close the regular session. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Turner then made the motion to move into Executive Session for the purposes of discussing pending litigation. Mr. Tate Lewis seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Two cases were brought before the Board:

In the case of Tipler vs. North Mississippi Regional Center, a motion was made by Ms. Liz Welch to authorize a settlement. The motion was seconded by Ms. Denita Griffith, and passed unanimously.

In the case of O'Daniel vs Mississippi Department of Public Safety, a motion was made by Ms. Kim Turner to authorize a settlement. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ted Lampton, and passed unanimously.

Ms. Turner made a motion to exit the Executive Session, and Mr. Lampton seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

PHILLIP BUFFINGTON, CHAIRMAN

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