

ALASKA PUBLIC OFFICES COMMISSION
MINUTES
SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING
NOVEMBER 2, 2018

A special meeting of the Alaska Public Offices Commission (APOC) came to order at 2:00 P.M. on Friday November 2, 2018. The meeting was held in the Elizabeth J. Hickerson Hearing Room at 2221 E. Northern Lights Blvd., Room 128, Anchorage, Alaska.

In Person Appearance

Commission: Anne Helzer, Chair

Staff: Heather Hebdon, Executive Director
Thomas Lucas, Campaign Disclosure Coordinator
Michael Schwahn, Recording Secretary

Attendees: Eugene Haberman, Observer
Stacey Stone, Representing Families for Alaska's Future-Dunleavy
Les Gara, Complainant

Telephonic Attendance:

Commission: Jim McDermott, Commissioner
Tim Dietz, Commissioner
Irene Catalone, Commissioner

Department of Law:

Mary Lynn Macsalka, Assistant Attorney General

ON RECORD 2:00 P.M.

Chair Helzer took a roll call of Commissioners and representatives for both parties and called the meeting to order, noting the purpose of the special meeting is to consider the Joint Request for Clarification of October 5, 2018, Order in complaints 18-09-CD and 18-11-CD, Walker Mallott for Alaska v. Republican Governors Association and Families for Alaska's Future-Dunleavy; and conduct a hearing on a request for expedited consideration of complaint 18-12-CD, Gara v. Families for Alaska's Future- Dunleavy

18-09-CD, Walker Mallott for Alaska v. Republican Governors Association

Chairwoman Helzer stated that the Joint Request for Clarification of October 5, 2018 Order in complaints 18-09-CD and 18-11-CD would be provided after Executive Session.

18-12-CD, Les Gara v. Families for Alaska's Future- Dunleavy

The Complainant, Les Gara, presented argument for the expedited consideration of complaint 18-12-CD.

Stacey Stone, representing Families for Alaska's Future- Dunleavy, provided argument against expedited consideration.

Commissioner Dietz moved to go into executive session to deliberate.

Commissioner Catalone seconded the motion.

The Commission went into executive session to deliberate and will return to public record to announce its decision.

OFF RECORD 2:55 P.M.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

ON RECORD 3:43 P.M.

The Commission clarified the October 5, 2018, Order on Complaints 18-09-CD and 18-11-CD stating that the Order as to the finding of violations and to cease and cure those violations is final but as the Order relates to assessed penalties the Order is not final due to provisions of statute which allow for an appeal for reduction or waiver of the penalty. The Commission further clarified that jurisdictional issues are at the Superior Court's discretion.

The Commission also announced its decision to not expedite consideration of Complaint 18-12-CD and remanded the complaint to staff for investigation on a regular basis.

Commissioner Dietz moved to adjourn.

Commissioner McDermott seconded the motion.

OFF RECORD 3:50 P.M.

ADJOURNED