



## JUDICIAL QUALIFICATIONS COMMISSION State of Georgia

### Open Meeting Minutes

Friday, July 21, 2023

9:00am

100 Galleria Pkwy, Suite 1600

Atlanta, GA 30339

This regularly scheduled meeting of the Investigative Panel of the Judicial Qualifications Commission of the State of Georgia was held in person at Freeman Mathis Gary in Atlanta, GA. Judge Stacey Hydrick chaired the meeting and Ms. Marsha Petrea served as Recording Secretary.

**Investigative Panel  
Members Present:**

Judge Stacey Hydrick  
Mr. James Balli  
Mr. Alexander Rainey  
Mr. Bob Barr  
Judge Victoria Darrisaw  
Mr. Pope Langdale  
Mr. Warren Selby

**JQC Staff Members  
Present:**

Ms. Courtney Veal, Director  
Ms. Ashton Murphy, Deputy Director  
Ms. Yosra Khalifa, Staff Attorney  
Mr. John Gosart, Chief Investigator  
Ms. Marsha Petrea, Administrative Assistant  
Mr. Jeff Davis, Special Counsel

**Chairman's Comments:**

Judge Hydrick called the meeting to order and determined that a quorum of the Investigative Panel was present.

Mr. Barr's motion to adopt the open meeting minutes from the regular June 16, 2023 Investigative Panel meeting passed unanimously.

Judge Hydrick opened a discussion regarding the conflicts surrounding the Investigative Panel's current September and October meeting dates. Due to the Final Hearing in the Judge

Christina Peterson matter, the September meeting was moved and will now be held on September 29, 2023 at Freeman Mathis Gary in Atlanta. Due to the National College on Judicial Conduct and Ethics conference in Washington D.C., the October meeting was moved and will now be held on October 27, 2023 at The Methodist Home in Macon.

**Director's Report:**

Director Veal informed the Investigative Panel that the JQC finished FY23 in good condition. Director Veal notified the Panel that any requests for Amended FY24 and FY25 must be submitted by September.

Director Veal notified the Panel that review of our Formal Advisory Opinions is ongoing.

Director Veal encouraged Investigative Panel members to attend the National College on Judicial Conduct and Ethics conference in Washington, D.C. if possible. The conference is scheduled for October 18-20, 2023.

There being no further old or new business for discussion, the Open Meeting was adjourned at 9:30am.

These minutes were approved by the Judicial Qualifications Commission.



Judge Stacey Hydrick, Chair



Courtney Veal, Director