



AGENDA
CUYAHOGA COUNTY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 9, 2023
CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS
C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4TH FLOOR
2:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

4. ITEM REFERRED TO COMMITTEE / CONFIRMATION HEARING:

- a) R2023-0117: A Resolution confirming the County Executive's appointment of Richard D. Manoloff, upon his taking the oath of office, as Cuyahoga County Director of Law; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

5. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a) Pending or imminent litigation
- b) Purchase or sale of property

6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

7. ADJOURNMENT

**Complimentary parking for the public is available in the attached garage at 900 Prospect. A skywalk extends from the garage to provide additional entry to the Council Chambers from the 5th floor parking level of the garage. Please see the Clerk to obtain a complimentary parking pass.*

***Council Chambers is equipped with a hearing assistance system. If needed, please see the Clerk to obtain a receiver.*

County Council of Cuyahoga County, Ohio

Resolution No. R2023-0117

Sponsored by: County Executive Ronayne	A Resolution confirming the County Executive's appointment of Richard D. Manoloff, upon his taking the oath of office, as Cuyahoga County Director of Law; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.
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WHEREAS, pursuant to Article V, Section 5.01 of the Charter of Cuyahoga County, each of the offices provided for in Article V shall be appointed by the County Executive, subject to confirmation by Council; and

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 5.06 of the Charter provides for the office of the Director of Law; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive has nominated Richard D. Manoloff for the appointment to the position of Director of Law; and

WHEREAS, the Council has undergone review and scheduled a Confirmation Hearing, which was noticed to the public and held in an open meeting on _____, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Council elects to confirm the County Executive's appointment of Richard D. Manoloff to the position of Director of Law; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective in order that Charter requirements can be complied with and critical services provided by Cuyahoga County can continue, and to provide for the usual, daily operation of County government.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO:

SECTION 1. That the Cuyahoga County Council hereby confirms the County Executive's appointment of Richard D. Manoloff to serve as the Director of Law, upon his taking the oath of office.

SECTION 2. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective for the usual daily operation of the County; the preservation of public peace, health, or safety in the County; and any additional reasons set forth in the preamble. Provided

that this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of eight members of Council, this Resolution shall become immediately effective.

SECTION 3. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of the Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

On a motion by _____, seconded by _____, the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted.

Yeas:

Nays:

County Council President

Date

Clerk of Council

Date

First Reading/Referred to Committee: April 25, 2023

Committee(s) Assigned: Committee of the Whole

Journal _____
_____, 20



Cuyahoga County

Chris Ronayne
Cuyahoga County Executive

April 18, 2023

Pernel Jones, Jr., President
Cuyahoga County Council
Cuyahoga County Administration Building
2079 E.9th, 8th Floor
Cleveland, OH 44115

Re: *Cuyahoga County Director of Law*

Dear Council President Jones,

Pursuant to Article 5, Section 5.06 of the Cuyahoga County Charter which establishes the position of Director of Law, it is my pleasure to nominate Richard D. Manoloff as Director of Law. In this role, Mr. Manoloff would serve as legal advisor to and representative of the County Executive and County Council.

As required by Charter Section 5.06, Mr. Manoloff is an attorney in good standing in the State of Ohio and has more than five (5) years' experience in advising or representing political subdivisions in Ohio. I have included documentation regarding his standing and experience.

Mr. Manoloff comes from Squire Patton Boggs, one of the top bond counsel firms in Ohio and nationally, where he has worked for more than twenty-five (25) years. Throughout his career, he has represented public sector entities in financing matters, capital planning, public records, open meetings, contracts, property and income taxation, elections, and federal tax and securities laws, among other areas.

Thank you for your consideration of this nomination. Should you or any of your colleagues have any questions, please feel free to contact Laura Roche in my office at 216-443-7181

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chris Ronayne".

Chris Ronayne
County Executive

RICHARD D. (“RICK”) MANOLOFF

WORK EXPERIENCE

Squire Patton Boggs (US) LLP

1995-Present

- Partner (since 2001), Public & Infrastructure Finance Practice Group; member of firmwide Lawyer Personnel Committee (2004-08); Deputy Practice Group Leader of Public Finance Practice Group (2008-10); became leader of Ohio K-12 Public Schools Team in 2012
- Annually co-author of *Ohio School Law* treatise (published by Thomson Reuters); serve as bond counsel and special counsel to Ohio political subdivisions; draft legislation; advise on State policy; author articles published in industry periodicals; give creative presentations throughout Ohio on financing facilities projects, capital planning, public records, open meetings, contracts, election law, federal tax and securities laws, etc.
- Negotiated agreements relating to expansion of Cleveland Hopkins International Airport; assisted City of Cleveland on infrastructure projects as finance counsel

Joel Hyatt for U.S. Senate – Issues and Research Director

1993-1994

- Researched and authored position papers on full range of public policy issues

U.S. Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit – Law Clerk for Judge Nathaniel R. Jones

1992-1993

- Drafted bench memos and opinions for, and was mentored by, Judge Jones

New York City Government – Program Analyst

1988-1989

- Contributed to and conducted cost-benefit analysis of welfare-to-work program

EDUCATION

Bay High School (Cuyahoga County) – Co-Valedictorian

1979-1983

Princeton University – A.B. in Religion; *magna cum laude*; Phi Beta Kappa

1983-1987

Harvard Divinity School – Year of Study in M.T.S. Program; and

1987-1988

“Making Change” Program

2019

Yale Law School – J.D.; *Yale Law Journal*; Barristers’ Union

1989-1992

SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP

President of the Board, Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association (CMBA)	2016-2017
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Focused on initiatives relating to legal services to those with modest means, thought leadership, health and wellness, internal governance, and strategic plan; authored <i>Bar Journal</i> articles on justice, public discourse, poverty, charity, etc.; have also served CMBA and its Board for many years in many other ways	
President of the Board, Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Foundation	2009-2010
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Helped lead Foundation through financial crisis; oversaw provision of grants to "Justice for All" initiatives; aside from being President, also served as Treasurer and Board member, and raised endowment funds	
Board Member, Ohio State Legal Services Association	1998-2010
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Negotiated collective bargaining agreements; evaluated Executive Director; served on Finance Committee; helped establish policies and goals for organization providing direct legal services to large portion of Appalachian Ohio and supporting legal aid Statewide	
Board of Education, Rocky River City School District	2015-2017
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Vice President; Chair of Finance Committee; member of Facilities Committee; helped develop five-year permanent improvement plan; initially appointed to fill unexpired term, then elected in 2015 to two-year term	
President, Cleveland Association of Phi Beta Kappa	2000-2001
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Led organization whose mission is to recognize, honor and reward student achievement in greater Cleveland area	
Board Member, City Year	2013-2016
Board Member, Children's Museum of Cleveland	2006-2015
Board Member, Citizens League of Greater Cleveland	2001-2004
Leadership Cleveland	Class of 2006
Cleveland Bridge Builders	Class of 2002

ACTIVITIES, INTERESTS AND FAMILY

All Things Cleveland (born in Cleveland and have lived in Cleveland, Cleveland Heights, Lakewood, Fairview Park, Rocky River, and Bay Village), especially Cleveland Sports; Biking (rode bicycle across country and ride bicycle to work); Hiking (climbed Mount Whitney and prefer active vacations); Singing; Golf; Piano; Politics; Gardening (have worked with daughter as adult President of her non-profit greenhouse project)

Currently Judge of The Court of Nisi Prius (est. 1900 in Cleveland)

