

“GUIDED TOUR” TO DEPOSITION TESTIMONY AND EXHIBITS

Introduction: The deposition testimony and the accompanying exhibits are more than 800 pages long. To assist members of the public in learning from this evidence, WSU is providing below a chronological index to the key events in the saga behind the Sunshine Act lawsuit.

Key to index:

- Dep. ## refers to the deposition of the indicated board member and the particular page or pages where the topic is testified to.
- If the deposition reference also include “ll ##” it refers to the numbered lines on the deposition page where the topic is addressed.
- Exh. # Simply refers to that document by its identification label.

January 2024: The full Board authorizes and forms a committee to draft a request for proposals (RFP) from law firms interested in the district’s Solicitor position. Guistwhite Dep. 10—17

February 28: The RFP Committee holds its first meeting. Tierney Dep. 38.

March 12: Attorney Kevin Hall learns that the Solicitor position might be open and contacts Brent (Brent Dep. 41, l. 22; Brent Exh. 2, p.2). Brent meets with Hall immediately after the phone call on the same day, March 12. (Brent Dep. 45, ll. 3-20)

March 15: The RFP committee meets and draws up a list of education law firms to notify with the RFP. Neither Tucker Arensberg nor Kevin Hall are placed by committee members on the list. Brent does not mention her contact with Attorney Hall in the meeting. Guistwhite Dep. 21--23; Brent Dep. 24; Tierney Dep. 38; Tierney Dep. 44 , l 17; Trone Dep. 9, l 8

March 15: Brent, unhappy with the RFP committee process, decides the committee will not meet again. Committee members are not notified of her decision. Brent Dep. 35; Tierney Dep. 58; Tierney Exhibit 2; Guistwhite **Dep.p 32 l 16**

Late March/Early April: Hall asks Trone at Boy Scout meeting about WSSD solicitor position and offers his help. Trone Dep, 15 - 16.

Late March/Early April: Brent and Thomas meet with Hall. Brent Dep. 79-80.

Early April: Davis and Cox meet with Hall at his office after being notified by Brent of Hall as potential Solicitor. Cox Dep. 8-9.

April 3/5: – At Thomas’s request, Hall creates board agenda for the appointment of a Solicitor at the April 11 board meeting. Brent Exh. 6; Tierney Dep. 46. Thomas, with Hall’s input, adds Hall’s appointment as Solicitor to the April 11 board meeting agenda. Brent Exh. 6 ;Tierney Dep. 36 l 7

April 5: Hall calls current Board Solicitor, Attorney Brooke Say, and informs her that Thomas has notified him that he will be appointed as new Solicitor at the April 11 meeting and she does not need to attend. Brent Exh. 5; Trone Dep 19, l 7; Tierney Dep. 41, l 1.

April 5: Thomas notifies Chris Kambic that “we” have picked a new solicitor and that action is on the agenda for the April 11 board meeting. Kambic Dep. 13-14.

April 5: Thomas notifies Adam Trone regarding Kevin Hall as new solicitor on a phone call and said it was “Kelly’s doing.” Trone Dep 12, ll-7-12

April 11: Board ignores public comment and fires Say, appoints Hall as Solicitor. Brent Exh. 7; Tierney Dep. 63; Tierney Dep. 70-72.

January 26, 2025; Board Member Brinton texts Trone that the lawsuit is lawfare and he will get his pound of flesh in the end. Trone Dep. 26, l 15.

February 24, 2025: Sunshine law expert, Board member Tierney, testifies that in her opinion board members violated the Sunshine Act. Tierney Dep. 8-9.

August 18, 2025: York County Judge Menges signs court order reinstating the RFP process for selection of a Solicitor.