

Friday, December 10, 2021, 11:00AM (virtual meeting)

Agenda:

1. Introduction/Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes from 11.12.21 Meeting
3. Review of Statutory Charge
4. Continued Discussion of Possible Report Recommendations
5. Discussion of Draft Report
6. Schedule Next Meeting

Commissioners Present:

- Chair Day
- Chair Eldridge
- Leader Peake
- Chairman Straus
- Senator Creem
- Senator Tarr – Represented by Harak Shah
- Representative Xiarhos
- Commissioner Reddy
- Commissioner Ryan
- Commissioner Segal
- Commissioner DeRensis
- Commissioner Sweeney

Commissioners Absent:

- Senator Cyr
- Commissioner Espinoza-Madrigal

Chair Eldridge called the meeting to order and gave introductory remarks.

The Commission began by reviewing the statutory charge for qualified immunity under Section 116(a) of Chapter 253 of the Acts of 2020.

Chair Eldridge invited a motion to approve minutes circulated for the November 12, 2021, meeting. No comments or edits were made. Motion made by Commissioner DeRensis, seconded by Leader Peake, and unanimously approved by members present.

Chair Eldridge opened discussion about possible commission recommendations, including making no further changes to qualified immunity at this time, amending the legal standard for qualified immunity under the Massachusetts Civil Rights Act in several different respects, and abolishing qualified immunity.

The Commission next turned to discussion about creating and circulating the commission report. Discussion about votes and policies in the report were discussed along with the potential for extra meetings.

Chair Eldridge stated that the next meeting will be held on Friday, December 10, 2021 at 11am and will consist of drafting the commission report.

Chair Eldridge gave closing remarks, thanked the committee, and the meeting ended.