

**MINUTES OF THE ILLINOIS WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION  
WORKERS' COMPENSATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING  
JAMES R. THOMPSON CENTER, 100 WEST RANDOLPH STREET  
CHAIRMAN'S CONFERENCE ROOM  
HELD ON JANUARY 20, 2012 at 3:00 PM**

**Present at the meeting were:**

Chairman Mitch Weisz, ex officio member  
Richard Aleksy – Corti, Aleksy, and Castenada  
John Carpenter – Chicagoland Chamber of Commerce

**Participating via Teleconference were:**

Michael Carrigan – Illinois AFL-CIO  
Sean Stott – Laborers' International Union  
Mitchell Abbett – Holten Meat Inc.  
Mark Denzler – Illinois Manufacturers' Association  
Aaron Anderson – Painters District Council #30  
Mark Prince – Prince Law Firm  
William Lowry – Nyhan, Bambrick, Kinzie, and Lowry  
David Vite – Illinois Retail Merchants Association  
David Halffield – Sears Holding Management Company

**IWCC staff present at the meeting were:**

Kim Janas, Secretary of the Commission  
Darrell Widen, Deputy General Counsel

Chairman Mitch Weisz called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm and noted that a quorum was present. There was a motion by Mr. Alesky, seconded by Mr. Carpenter, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes from meetings held on August 1, 2, 24, September 2, 16, October 5, 7, and November 30, 2011.

There was a motion by Mr. Carpenter, seconded by Mr. Aleksy, and unanimously carried to move the meeting into closed session pursuant to Section 2a of the Open Meetings Act based on the exemptions specified under Sections 2(c)(1) and 2(c)(3) of the Act to interview a candidate for possible recommendation by the Board as an Arbitrator for the Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission and for deliberations on this recommendation.

There was a motion by Mr. Aleksy, seconded by Mr. Carpenter, and unanimously carried to arise from closed session.

There was a motion by Mr. Prince and seconded by Mr. Carpenter to recommend Mr. Brandon J. Zanotti to the Governor for appointment as an Arbitrator at the Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission. The following members of the Board voted in the affirmative: Mr. Carpenter, Mr. Abbett, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Carrigan, Mr. Denzler, Mr. Halffield, Mr. Stott, and Mr. Vite. The following members voted present: Mr. Lowry, Mr. Aleksy, and Mr. Prince. With a vote of 8-0-3, the motion carried and the recommendation of the Board will be reported to the Governor by Chairman Weisz.

There was a motion by Mr. Aleksy, seconded by Mr. Carpenter, and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting.