

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

**Worker Protection Unit Task Force  
MEETING MINUTES**

**Thursday, January 23, 2020**

The Worker Protection Unit Task Force met in public session on **Thursday, January 23, 2020**, in the Michael A. Bilandic Building, 160 N. LaSalle St., Room C-500, pursuant to notice.

Kwame Raoul, Attorney General called the meeting to order at 1:09 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Board Members Present (10/10)

Chicago: Alvar Ayala, Office of the Illinois Attorney General  
Robert Berlin, DuPage County State's Attorney (present via speakerphone)  
Michael Brennan, Illinois Workers Compensation Commission  
Kimberly Foxx, Cook County State's Attorney  
John Greenwood, Office of the Illinois Attorney General  
James Gomric, St. Clair County State's Attorney  
Brent Harzman, Illinois Department of Human Rights  
Michael Kleinik, Illinois Department of Labor  
Kwame Raoul, Illinois Attorney General  
John Waters, Illinois Department of Employment Security

**Introductory Remarks:**

Attorney General Kwame Raoul calls the meeting to order at 1:09 p.m. A quorum is present.

The Attorney General gave opening remarks and recognized Robert Berlin as being present by speakerphone.

**New Business:**

- **Election of Chairperson:** Michael Kleinik moved to elect AG, Kwame Raoul as Chairperson of the Task Force. James Gomric seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

*Yeas:*

Alvar Ayala  
Robert Berlin

Michael Brennan  
Kimberly Foxx  
John Greenwood  
James Gomric  
Brent Harzman  
Michael Kleinik  
John Waters

- **Adoption of Rules:** John Greenwood read the proposed rules to the Task Force. The Open Meetings Act governs the Rules. Michael Kleinik moved to adopt the rules, James Gomric seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

*Yeas:*  
Alvar Ayala  
Robert Berlin  
Michael Brennan  
Kimberly Foxx  
John Greenwood  
James Gomric  
Brent Harzman  
Michael Kleinik  
Kwame Raoul  
John Waters

**The following gave presentations to the Task Force regarding worker protection issues, including wage theft, misclassification, prevailing wage, worker discrimination, and the fractured workplace.**

*Tim Drea, President, AFL-CIO*

*Mark Poulos, Executive Director, III FCC, Local 150*

*Alison Howlett Walters, Executive Director of Chicago District Council.*

*Martin Unzueta.*

*Fernando Corona (Translated by Lydia Colunga-Merchant, Deputy Bureau Chief, Workplace Rights Bureau)*

*Chris Williams, Director of Legal Advocacy Network*

*Daisy Corral, former staffing agency liaison, whistleblower*

**The Task Force took comments from the public.**

**Adjournment:** Having no further business to discuss, Kwame Raoul moved to adjourn the meeting, the motion was seconded by Michael Kleinik and James Gomric. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

*Yeas:*

Alvar Ayala  
Robert Berlin  
Michael Brennan  
Kimberly Foxx  
John Greenwood  
James Gomric  
Brent Harzman  
Michael Kleinik  
Kwame Raoul  
John Waters

The meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m. Next meeting date to be determined.