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# INDEPENDENT CITIZENS COMMISSION

# December 14, 2016

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The Independent Citizens Commission met on Wednesday, December 14 at 9:00 a.m. in room 138 of the State Capitol in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Commission members present: Chair - Mr. Larry Ross, Mr. Mitch Berry, Ms. Barbara Graves, Ms. Brenda James, and Mr. Stephen Tipton. Mr. Stuart Hill and Mr. Chuck Banks were not present. Also present: Ms. Nga Mahfouz, Assistant Attorney General and Ms. Raeanne Gardner with the Auditor of State’s office.

**Chairman Ross called the meeting to order**

**Consideration of minutes from the May 18, 2016 commission meeting**

A motion was made by Commissioner Graves and seconded by Commissioner James to adopt the minutes as written. The motion carried without objection.

**Nga Mahfouz, Assistant Attorney General**

Ms. Mahfouz presented the Commission with information regarding the current per diem and mileage reimbursement for the General Assembly (see handouts), which follow the GSA approved rates of $153 for per diem and mileage at $0.54 per mile.

**Commission Discussion**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Berry and seconded by Commissioner Graves that there be no change to the recommendations made in tables 4, 5, and 6 of the February 2, 2016 Initial Review and Recommendation.**

A request was made by Chairman Ross for Ms. Mahfouz to prepare the recommendation to send to the General Assembly.

An additional request was made by Chairman Ross for Ms. Mahfouz to prepare a matrix of future annual requirements for the Independent Citizens Commission.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Handouts and complete audio of the meeting can be found at <http://citizenscommission.ar.gov>