

**QUEENS CIVIC CONGRESS  
VIRTUAL EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING  
March 3, 2025**

**Officers Present:** Henry Euler, Richard Hellenbrecht, Ashook Ramsaran,  
Warren Schreiber, Sey Schwartz, Michael Scotland, Harbachan Singh, James Trent,  
Denise Winters, Elaine Young

**Others present:** Attorney Jack Lester, Paul Graziano

**Meeting opened at 7:30 p.m. by President Schreiber**

*(Note: This was an emergency Executive Board meeting called to review the status, and legal engagement of the QCC to consider its approval as a plaintiff in the case of the NYC "City of Hope" in time to meet the legally required deadline.)*

**General Discussion with Questions, Comments and Responses**

Jack Lester is the attorney of record for filing the lawsuit.

Attorney George Janes has been interviewed to be hired as an attorney specializing in similar cases at \$90. hour with a \$5,000, maximum.

The lawsuit will be brought before the Court in Richmond County.

It is conceivable that the litigation may arrive at the level of the State Supreme Court, with consideration of underlying environmental laws, or it is conceivable the case could be thrown out by the Environmental Protection Agency.

The lawsuit will be filed in the next few weeks. Once filed, no one can join as a litigant.

We have a lot of individuals who want to be litigants, and the more the merrier.

Litigants have no liability in law, and this will be written into the agreement.

New York's City Council and the Mayor will be sued as defendants.

In pursuing an injunction, it requires that we go forward step by step.

It was suggested that it would be some time in October/November for the case to be heard.

We are approaching a level of \$80,000.in contributions with more expected to come in.

With the legal process unfolding, QCC may later be called upon for more contributions.

It was suggested that we and our civics meet with our elected officials to call for a reversal of "City of Yes".

At the completion of the discussion, a motion was offered, seconded by Jim Trent. that the QCC hire attorney Janes. The motion was passed unanimously.

With no further business, the meeting was concluded at 7:55 p.m.

Next General Meeting March 18, 2025

Respectfully submitted,  
Seymour Schwartz  
March 13, 2025