

**CLOSED  
MINUTES**

**Special Closed Meeting of the  
Missouri Veterans Commission  
Monday, the 5<sup>th</sup> of January 2026 at 10:00 AM  
Via WebEx**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**1. Roll Call**

A. Commissioners in attendance in person or via WebEx Conference Call:

1. Chair Kelly McClelland; Commissioner Meredith Knopp; Commissioner Steve Maples; Commissioner David Griffith; Commissioner Will Jobe; Commissioner Randy Alewel

11. Absent: Commissioner Steve Roberts; Commissioner Joe Nicola

B. Others in attendance via WebEx: Jessica Klaus – OA General Counsel; Jessica Ward – Assistant Attorney General; Chuck Adamson – Attorney General Office; Nicolas Taulbee – Attorney General Office

2. Discussed matters relating to legal actions, causes of action or litigation pursuant to Section 610.021 (1).

**II. VOTE TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION FOR ADJOURNMENT**

III. Commissioner Alewel made a motion to return to open session for adjournment. Commissioner Knopp seconded.

• By a roll call vote, the motion was passed:

- A. Chair Kelly McClelland – Aye
- B. Commissioner Meredith Knopp – Aye
- C. Commissioner Steve Maples – Aye
- D. Commissioner David Griffith – Aye
- E. Commissioner Randy Alewel – Aye
- F. Commissioner Will Jobe – Aye
- G. Vice-Chair Steve Roberts – Absent
- H. Commissioner Joe Nicola – Absent

Respectfully Submitted

  
Paul Kirchhoff, Secretary