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Notice of Special Meetings

The Freedom of Information Commission will hold special meetings during the week of January 17, 2022 through January 21, 2022 at the specific dates and times listed below. Due to public health concerns surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic, each special meeting will be held solely through the use of electronic equipment (remotely). The purpose of each special meeting is to conduct a contested case hearing concerning the matters listed below. Real-time access to each meeting is available to the public by dialing the number and code noted below the case caption. For further information concerning these hearings, please contact the Commission's administrative office at (860) 566-5682.

Date	Time	Contested Case Docket #	CONTESTED CASE CAPTION
January 17, 2022			No Special Meetings Scheduled
January 18, 2022	9:30 AM	FIC 2020-0281	Matthew Hennessy v. Donald Stein, Chair, Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority; Tom Kirk, President, Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority; and Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 140 767 065#
		FIC 2020-0351	Matthew Hennessy v. Laurie Hunt, Director of Legal Services, Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority; Tom Kirk, President, Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority; Donald Stein, Chair, Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority; and Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 140 767 065#
MINUTES: An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following consolidated matters was held on January 18, 2022, in the Freedom of Information Hearing Room, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut. <i>Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the state's response to it, the hearing was conducted via video conference.</i>			
Docket #FIC 2020-0281; Matthew Hennessy v. Donald Stein, Chair, Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority; Tom Kirk, President, Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority; and Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority			
Docket #FIC 2020-0351; Matthew Hennessy v. Laurie Hunt, Director of Legal Services, Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority; Tom Kirk, President, Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority; Donald Stein, Chair, Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority; and Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority			

Michael C. Harrington, Esq. appeared on behalf of the complainant. Michael C. Collins, Esq. appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here. [Part 1](#) [Part 2](#)

The hearing convened at 9:36 AM with Attorney Kathleen K. Ross presiding.
The hearing adjourned at 1:00 PM.

POSTPONED	1:00 PM	FIC 2021-0429	Jacques Parenteau v. Mayor, City of New London; and City of New London Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 165 838 3#
POSTPONED	2:00 PM	FIC 2021-0423	David Booth v. Superintendent of Schools, Middletown Public Schools; and Middletown Public Schools Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 298 803 128#
January 19, 2022 SETTLED W/O HEARING	9:30 AM	FIC 2020-0344	Patricia Cofrancesco v. Chief, Fire Department, City of New Haven; Fire Department, City of New Haven; Manager of Human Resources, City of New Haven; and City of New Haven Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 697 401 536#
POSTPONED	11:30 AM	FIC 2021-0425	Diana McManus v. Mayor, City of West Haven; and City of West Haven Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 595 131 810#
POSTPONED	1:00 PM	FIC 2021-0436	Matt Olson v. Director of Technology, City of Stamford; and City of Stamford Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 924 372 1#
WITHDRAWN	2:00 PM	FIC 2021-0431	John Tsimbidaros v. Director, Human Resources Department, Town of Fairfield; and Human Resources Department, Town of Fairfield Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 296 247 014#
January 20, 2022	9:30 AM	FIC 2021-0404	Alejandro Velez v. James Rovella, State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection; and State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 704 359 848#

MINUTES: An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on January 20, 2022, in the Freedom of Information Hearing Room, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut. *Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the state's response to it, the hearing was conducted remotely.*

Docket #FIC 2021-0404; Alejandro Velez v. James Rovella, State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection; and State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection

Alejandro Velez appeared via speakerphone on his own behalf. Attorney Janet Ainsworth appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here. [Part 1](#) [Part 2](#) [Part 3](#)

The hearing convened at 9:34 AM with Attorney Paula S. Pearlman presiding.

The hearing adjourned at 10:12 AM.

WITHDRAWN	11:30 AM	FIC 2021-0422	Michael Wright v. Attorney General, State of Connecticut, Office of the Attorney General; and State of Connecticut, Office of the Attorney General Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 831 342 302#
	1:00 PM	FIC 2021-0414	Jason Morgan v. Director of Public Records, State of Connecticut, University of Connecticut; and State of Connecticut, University of Connecticut Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 444 882 164#

MINUTES: An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on January 20, 2022, in the Freedom of Information Hearing Room, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut. *Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the state's response to it, the hearing was conducted via video conference.*

Docket #FIC 2021-0414; Jason Morgan v. Director of Public Records, State of Connecticut, University of Connecticut; and State of Connecticut, University of Connecticut

Jason Morgan failed to appear. Attorney Ralph Urban appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available [here](#).

The hearing convened at 1:22 PM with Attorney Paula S. Pearlman presiding.

The hearing adjourned at 1:25 PM.

January 20, 2022	2:00 PM	FIC 2020-0531	Robert Clarke Castelle v. Town Manager, Town of Newington; and Town of Newington Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 472 022 095#
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MINUTES: An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on January 20, 2022, in the Freedom of Information Hearing Room, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut. *Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the state's response to it, the hearing was conducted via video conference.*

Docket #FIC 2020-0531; Robert Clarke Castelle v. Town Manager, Town of Newington; and Town of Newington

Attorney John M. Kelly appeared on behalf of the complainant. Attorney Benjamin Ancona, Jr. appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here. [Part 1](#) [Part 2](#)

The hearing convened at 2:15 PM with Attorney Mary E. Schwind presiding.
The hearing adjourned at 3:34 PM.

January 21, 2022 POSTPONED	9:30 AM	FIC 2021-0403	Travis Armstrong v. James Rovella, State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection; and State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 540 070 742#
	1:00 PM	FIC 2021-0427	Jeffrey Scott v. Human Resources, State of Connecticut, Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Whiting Forensic Hospital; and State of Connecticut, Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 645 039 502#

MINUTES: An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on January 21, 2022, in the Freedom of Information Hearing Room, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut. *Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the state's response to it, the hearing was conducted via video conference.*

Docket #FIC 2021-0427; Jeffrey Scott v. Human Resources, State of Connecticut, Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Whiting Forensic Hospital; and State of Connecticut, Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services

Jeffrey Scott appeared on his own behalf. Attorney Deborah Moore appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here. [Part 1](#) [Part 2](#)

The hearing convened at 1:02 PM with Attorney Mary E. Schwind presiding.
The hearing adjourned at 2:00 PM.

WITHDRAWN	2:00 PM	FIC 2021-0424	Rosa Lee Klaneski v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Insurance Department; and State of Connecticut, Insurance Department Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 356 129 351#
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