



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

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Notice of Special Meetings

The Freedom of Information Commission will hold in person special meetings during the week of May 27, 2024 to May 31, 2024 at the specific dates and times listed below. 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. At times, contested cases may be cancelled or postponed shortly before the scheduled time of the hearing. Members of the public may contact the Commission at (860) 566-5682 to check on hearing status.

Date	Time	Contested Case Docket #	CONTESTED CASE CAPTION
May 27, 2024			NO CONTESTED CASE HEARINGS
May 28, 2024 POSTPONED	11:00 AM	FIC 2023-0645	Jacqueline Rabe Thomas v. Chief, Police Department, City of Bridgeport; Police Department, City of Bridgeport; and City of Bridgeport Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 613 051 704#
	1:00 PM	FIC 2023-0581	Joao Campos v. Chief, Police Department, Town of Monroe; Police Department, Town of Monroe; and Town of Monroe Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 254 142 019#

Minutes: An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on May 28, 2024, in the Freedom of Information Commission's Hearing Room, Conference Room H, located on the ground floor at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Docket #FIC 2023-0581; Joao Campos v. Chief, Police Department, Town of Monroe; Police Department, Town of Monroe; and Town of Monroe

Joao Campos appeared on his own behalf. Attorney David Ryan appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. . The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here [Part1](#). [Part2](#)

The hearing convened at 1:03 PM with Attorney Nicholas A. Smarra presiding.

The hearing adjourned at 2:37 PM.

Dated: May 30, 2024

	2:30 PM	FIC 2023-0582	Joao Campos v. Chief, Police Department, Town of Monroe; Police Department, Town of Monroe; and Town of Monroe Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 932 528 323#
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Minutes: An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on May 28, 2024, in the Freedom of Information Commission’s Hearing Room, Conference Room H, located on the ground floor at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Docket #FIC 2023-0582; Joao Campos v. Chief, Police Department, Town of Monroe; Police Department, Town of Monroe; and Town of Monroe

Joao Campos appeared on his own behalf. Attorney David Ryan appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. . The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here [Part1](#).

The hearing convened at 2:39 PM with Attorney Nicholas A. Smarra presiding.

The hearing adjourned at 2:50 PM.

Dated: May 30, 2024

May 29, 2024	9:30 AM	FIC 2023-0403	Kristen McDowell v. Superintendent of Schools, New Haven Public Schools; and New Haven Public Schools Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 950 889 594#
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Minutes: An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on May 29, 2024, in the Freedom of Information Commission’s Hearing Room, Conference Room H, located on the ground floor at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Docket #FIC 2023-0403; Kristen McDowell v. Superintendent of Schools, New Haven Public Schools; and New Haven Public Schools

Kristen McDowell appeared on her own behalf. Attorney Elias A. Alexiades appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here [Part1](#).

The hearing convened at 9:43 AM with Attorney Mary-Kate Smith presiding.

The hearing adjourned at 10:28 AM.

Dated: May 30, 2024

May 29, 2024 Continued	11:00 AM	FIC 2023-0586	Michael Ward v. Chief, Police Department, City of Stamford; Police Department, City of Stamford; City of Stamford; Commissioner, 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: 864 551 447#
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Minutes: An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on May 29, 2024, in the Freedom of Information Commission’s Hearing Room, Conference Room H, located on the ground floor at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Docket #FIC 2023-0586; Michael Ward v. Chief, Police Department, City of Stamford; Police Department, City of Stamford; City of Stamford; Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection; and State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection

Michael Ward appeared on his own behalf. Attorney Burt Rosenberg appeared on behalf of the respondents. Attorney Kimberly Zigich appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here [Part I](#).

The hearing convened at 11:00 AM with Attorney Valicia D. Harmon presiding.

The hearing adjourned at 12:23 PM.

Dated: May 30, 2024

WITHDRAWN	2:30 PM	FIC 2023-0584	Darrell Stancuna v. Executive Director, State of Connecticut, Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities; and State of Connecticut, Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 747 463 911#
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May 30, 2024	11:00 AM	FIC 2023-0543	Nancy Griswold v. Stacey Sefcik, Zoning Enforcement Officer and Land Use Administrator, Building and Land Use Department, Town of Thomaston; Building and Land Use Department, Town of Thomaston; and Town of Thomaston Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 883 014 716#
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Minutes: An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on May 30, 2024, in the Freedom of Information Commission’s Hearing Room, Conference Room H, located on the ground floor at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Docket #FIC 2023-0543; Nancy Griswold v. Stacey Sefcik, Zoning Enforcement Officer and Land Use Administrator, Building and Land Use Department, Town of Thomaston; Building and Land Use Department, Town of Thomaston; and Town of Thomaston

Nancy Griswold appeared on her own behalf. Attorney Steven Byrne appeared on behalf of the respondents. Attorney Nicole Byrne appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here [Part1](#).

The hearing convened at 11:02 AM with Commissioner Christopher P. Hankins presiding.

The hearing adjourned at 12:29 PM.

Dated: May 31, 2024

WITHDRAWN	1:00 PM	FIC 2023-0602	David Collins, and The Day v. Brian M. Wright, Chief, Police Department, City of New London; Police Department, City of New London; and City of New London Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 692 491 555#
	2:30 PM	FIC 2023-0641	Pierre Obas v. Chief, Police Department, Town of Bethel; Police Department, Town of Bethel; and Town of Bethel Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 343 748 970#

Minutes: An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on May 30, 2024, in the Freedom of Information Commission's Hearing Room, Conference Room H, located on the ground floor at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Docket #FIC 2023-0641; Pierre Obas v. Chief, Police Department, Town of Bethel; Police Department, Town of Bethel; and Town of Bethel

Pierre Obas failed to appear. Attorney Melanie P. O'Brien appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here [Part1](#).

The hearing convened at 2:45 PM with Attorney Mary-Kate Smith presiding.

The hearing adjourned at 2:49 PM.

Dated: May 31, 2024

May 31, 2024 WITHDRAWN	9:30 AM	FIC 2023-0623	Onaje Smith v. Ronnell Higgins, Commissioner, 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: 842 457 517#
	11:00 AM	FIC 2023-0558	Jacqueline Rabe Thomas, Investigative Reporter v. Secretary, State of Connecticut, Office of Policy and Management; and State of Connecticut, Office of Policy and Management Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 724 519 498#

Minutes: An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on May 31, 2024, in the Freedom of Information Commission’s Hearing Room, Conference Room H, located on the ground floor at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Docket #FIC 2023-0558; Jacqueline Rabe Thomas v. Secretary, State of Connecticut, Office of Policy and Management; and State of Connecticut, Office of Policy and Management

Jacqueline Rabe Thomas appeared on her own behalf. Attorney Kara A. T. Murphy appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here [Part1](#). [Part2](#). [Part3](#). [Part4](#)

The hearing convened at 11:05 AM with Attorney Kevin W. Munn presiding.

The hearing adjourned at 3:11 PM.

Dated: May 31, 2024