



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 October 21, 2024, through October 25, 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
October 21, 2024	9:30 AM	FIC 2024-0111	Cordious Wilson v. Chief, Police Department, City of New Haven; Police Department, City of New Haven; and City of New Haven Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 127 703 323#
<p>An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on October 21, 2024, in the Freedom of Information Commission’s Hearing Room, Conference Room H, located on the ground floor at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Docket #FIC 2024-0111; Cordious Wilson v. Chief, Police Department, City of New Haven; Police Department, City of New Haven; and City of New Haven</p> <p>Cordious Wilson appeared via speakerphone on his own behalf. Attorney Catherine E. LaMarr appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here: Audio1 Audio2</p> <p>The hearing convened at 9:45 AM with Attorney Mary-Kate Smith presiding. The hearing adjourned at 10:27 AM.</p> <p>Dated: October 21, 2024</p>			
	1:00 PM	FIC 2024-0378	Michael Gyetvan 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: 420 544 24#
<p>An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on October 21, 2024, in the Freedom of Information Commission’s Hearing Room, Conference Room H, located on the ground floor at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Docket #FIC 2024-0378; Michael Gyetvan v. Director of Public Records, State of Connecticut, University of Connecticut; and State of Connecticut, University of Connecticut</p>			

Attorney James T. Baldwin appeared on behalf of the complainant. Attorney Lesley Salafia appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here: [Audio1](#) [Audio2](#) [Audio3](#)

The hearing convened at 1:02 PM with Attorney Valicia D. Harmon presiding.
The hearing adjourned at 2:32 PM.

Dated: October 22, 2024

	2:30 PM	FIC 2024-0077	Todd Steigman v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Agriculture; and State of Connecticut, Department of Agriculture Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 349 353 565#
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Docket #FIC 2024-0077; Todd Steigman v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Agriculture; and State of Connecticut, Department of Agriculture

Todd Steigman appeared on his own behalf. Attorney Carole Briggs appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here: [Audio](#)

The hearing convened at 2:32 PM with Attorney Valicia D. Harmon presiding.
The hearing adjourned at 2:57 PM.

Dated: October 28, 2024

October 22, 2024	9:30 AM	FIC 2024-0317	James Raynor v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Correction; and State of Connecticut, Department of Correction Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 185 687 626#
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Docket #FIC 2024-0317; James Raynor v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Correction; and State of Connecticut, Department of Correction

James Raynor appeared via speakerphone on his own behalf. Attorney Jennifer Lepore appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here: [Audio](#)

The hearing convened at 9:33 AM with Attorney Nicholas A. Smarra presiding.
The hearing adjourned at 9:44 AM.

Dated: October 28, 2024

	11:00 AM	FIC 2024-0388	Neil Hornish v. First Selectman, Board of Selectmen, Town of Suffield; Board of Selectmen, Town of Suffield; and Town of Suffield Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 936 654 464#
<p>An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on October 22, 2024, in the Freedom of Information Commission’s Hearing Room, Conference Room H, located on the ground floor at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.</p> <p>Docket #FIC 2024-0388; Neil Hornish v. First Selectman, Board of Selectmen, Town of Suffield; Board of Selectmen, Town of Suffield; and Town of Suffield</p> <p>Neil Hornish appeared on his own behalf. Attorney Derek E. Donnelly appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here: Audio1 Audio2 Audio3</p> <p>The hearing convened at 11:01 AM with Attorney Marybeth G. Sullivan presiding. The hearing adjourned at 12:11 PM.</p> <p>Dated: October 28, 2024</p>			
	1:00 PM	FIC 2023-0633	David Cummings v. Chief Court Administrator, State of Connecticut, Judicial Branch; and State of Connecticut, Judicial Branch Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 655 676 014#
<p>An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on October 22, 2024, in the Freedom of Information Commission’s Hearing Room, Conference Room H, located on the ground floor at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.</p> <p>Docket #FIC 2023-0633; David Cummings v. Chief Court Administrator, State of Connecticut, Judicial Branch; and State of Connecticut, Judicial Branch</p> <p>David Cummings appeared on his own behalf. Attorney Andrei Tarutin appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here: Audio</p> <p>The hearing convened at 1:04 PM with Attorney Danielle L. McGee presiding. The hearing adjourned at 4:02 PM.</p> <p>Dated: October 28, 2024</p>			
October 23, 2024	9:30 AM	FIC 2024-0334	Jesse R Benoit v. Ronnell Higgins, Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Division of State Police; and State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Division of State Police

Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075
Conference Code: 575 889 967#

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Docket #FIC 2024-0334; Jesse R Benoit v. Ronnell Higgins, Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Division of State Police; and State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Division of State Police

Jesse R. Benoit appeared via speakerphone on his own behalf. Attorney John H. Grasso appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here: [Audio](#)

The hearing convened at 9:35 AM with Attorney C. Zack Hyde presiding.
The hearing adjourned at 9:40 AM.

Dated: October 29, 2024

11:00 AM

FIC 2024-0244

Rosa DiVirgilio v. Chief, Police Department, Town of North Haven; Police Department, Town of North Haven; and Town of North Haven

Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075
Conference Code: 561 919 232#

NOTICE: The special meeting scheduled in the following matter for October 23, 2024, at 11:00 AM, was cancelled. The complaint in this matter has been withdrawn.

Docket #FIC 2024-0244; Rosa DiVirgilio v. Chief, Police Department, Town of North Haven; Police Department, Town of North Haven; and Town of North Haven

October 24, 2024

9:30 AM

FIC 2023-0652

Cordaryl Silva v. Scott Todd, Chief, Police Department, City of Derby; Police Department, City of Derby; and City of Derby

Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075
Conference Code: 774 091 224#

An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on October 24, 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 2023-0652; Cordaryl Silva v. Scott Todd, Chief, Police Department, City of Derby; Police Department, City of Derby; and City of Derby

Cordaryl Silva appeared via speakerphone on his own behalf. Attorney Bryan L. LeClerc appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here: [Audio](#)

The hearing convened at 9:33 AM with Attorney Nicholas A. Smarra presiding.
The hearing adjourned at 10:18 AM.

Dated: October 30, 2024

	1:00 PM	FIC 2024-0353	TaShun Bowden-Lewis v. Chairperson, State of Connecticut, Public Defender Services Commission; and State of Connecticut, Public Defender Services Commission Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 989 298 760#
<p>An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on October 24, 2024, in the Freedom of Information Commission’s Hearing Room, Conference Room H, located on the ground floor at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Docket #FIC 2024-0353; TaShun Bowden-Lewis v. Chairperson, State of Connecticut, Public Defender Services Commission; and State of Connecticut, Public Defender Services Commission</p> <p>Attorney Thomas W. Bucci appeared on behalf of the complainant. Attorney John Langmaid appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here: Audio</p> <p>The hearing convened at 1:02 PM with Attorney Mary-Kate Smith presiding. The hearing adjourned at 2:06 PM.</p> <p>Dated: October 28, 2024</p>			
October 25, 2024			NO CONTESTED CASE HEARINGS