



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 January 20, 2025, through January 24, 2025, 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 |
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| January 20, 2025 | | | NO CONTESTED CASE HEARINGS |
| January 21, 2025 | 9:30 AM | FIC 2024-0264 | James Mitchell v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Correction; and State of Connecticut, Department of Correction Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 818 158 036# |
| An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on January 21, 2025, 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 2024-0264; James Mitchell v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Correction; and State of Connecticut, Department of Correction James Mitchell 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: Audio1 Audio2 The hearing convened at 9:44 AM with Attorney Marybeth G. Sullivan presiding. The hearing adjourned at 11:03 AM. Dated: January 21, 2025 | | | |
| | 11:00 AM | FIC 2024-0138 | Sherry Frazier v. Chief, Police Department, City of Hartford; Police Department, City of Hartford; and City of Hartford Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 928 449 456# |
| An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on January 21, 2025, 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 2024-0138; Sherry Frazier v. Chief, Police Department, City of Hartford; Police Department, City of Hartford; and City of Hartford

Sherry Frazier appeared on her own behalf. Attorney Natalie Reichle appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here: [Audio](#)

The hearing convened at 11:10 AM with Attorney Nicholas A. Smarra presiding.
The hearing adjourned at 12:30 PM.

Dated: January 23, 2025

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| January 22, 2025 | 9:30 AM | FIC 2024-0285 | Carlton Henderson v. Jay DelGrosso, Chief, Police Department, Town of Stonington; Police Department, Town of Stonington; and Town of Stonington Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 856 835 18# |
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An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on January 22, 2025, 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 2024-0285; Carlton Henderson v. Jay DelGrosso, Chief, Police Department, Town of Stonington; Police Department, Town of Stonington; and Town of Stonington

Carlton Henderson appeared via speakerphone on his own behalf. Attorney Brian Estep appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here: [Audio1](#) [Audio2](#)

The hearing convened at 9:52 AM with Attorney C. Zack Hyde presiding.
The hearing adjourned at 10:17 AM.

Dated: January 22, 2025

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| January 22, 2025 Continued | 11:00 AM | FIC 2024-0301 | <p>Nina Pirrotti v. Town Attorney, Office of the Town Attorney, Town of East Haven; Office of the Town Attorney, Town of East Haven; Town Clerk, Office of the Town Clerk, Town of East Haven; Office of the Town Clerk, Town of East Haven; Chief, Fire Department, Town of East Haven; Fire Department, Town of East Haven; Chair, Civil Service Commission, Town of East Haven; Civil Service Commission, Town of East Haven; and Town of East Haven</p> <p>Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 153 680 45#</p> |
| <p>NOTICE: The special meeting scheduled in the following matter for January 22, 2025, at 11:00 AM, was postponed.</p> <p>Docket #FIC 2024-0301; Nina Pirrotti v. Town Attorney, Office of the Town Attorney, Town of East Haven; Office of the Town Attorney, Town of East Haven; Town Clerk, Office of the Town Clerk, Town of East Haven; Office of the Town Clerk, Town of East Haven; Chief, Fire Department, Town of East Haven; Fire Department, Town of East Haven; Chair, Civil Service Commission, Town of East Haven; Civil Service Commission, Town of East Haven; and Town of East Haven</p> | | | |
| January 23, 2025 | 11:00 AM | FIC 2024-0305 | <p>Laith Aqel v. President, Board of Alders, City of New Haven; Board of Alders, City of New Haven; and City of New Haven</p> <p>Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 528 963 909#</p> |
| <p>NOTICE: The special meeting scheduled in the following matter for January 23, 2025, at 11:00 AM, was cancelled. The complaint in this matter has been withdrawn.</p> <p>Docket #FIC 2024-0305; Laith Aqel v. President, Board of Alders, City of New Haven; Board of Alders, City of New Haven; and City of New Haven</p> | | | |
| | 2:30 PM | FIC 2024-0476 | <p>Greg Smith and The Day v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection; and State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection</p> <p>Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 879 469 11#</p> |
| <p>NOTICE: The special meeting scheduled in the following matter for January 23, 2025, at 2:30 PM, was cancelled. The complaint in this matter has been withdrawn.</p> <p>Docket #FIC 2024-0476; Greg Smith and The Day v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection; and State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection</p> | | | |

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| January 24, 2025 | 11:00 AM | FIC 2024-0381 | Nicholas Tella v. Chairman, Board of Directors, Willington Public Library; and Board of Directors, Willington Public Library Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 858 890 201# |
| <p>An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on January 29, 2025, 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 2024-0381; Nicholas Tella v. Chairman, Board of Directors, Willington Public Library; and Board of Directors, Willington Public Library</p> <p>Nicholas Tella appeared on his own behalf. The respondents failed to appear. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here: Audio1 Audio2</p> <p>The hearing convened at 11:19 AM with Attorney Nicholas A. Smarra presiding. The hearing adjourned at 11:59 AM.</p> <p>Dated: January 29, 2025</p> | | | |
| | 1:00 PM | 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: 347 672 917# |
| <p>An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on January 24, 2025, 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 Audio4 Audio5</p> <p>The hearing convened at 1:05 PM with Attorney Marybeth G. Sullivan presiding. The hearing adjourned at 3:00 PM.</p> <p>Dated: January 24, 2025</p> | | | |