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Notice of Special Meetings

The Freedom of Information Commission will hold in person special meetings during the week of January 6, 2025 through January 10, 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 6, 2025 | 11:00 AM | FIC 2024-0322 | Tonya Curtiss v. First Selectman, Town of Oxford; and Town of Oxford Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 352 455 65# |

NOTICE: The special meeting scheduled in the following matter for January 6, 2025, at 11:00 AM, was cancelled. The complaint in this matter has been withdrawn.

Docket #FIC 2024-0322; Tonya Curtiss v. First Selectman, Town of Oxford; and Town of Oxford

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| January 7, 2025 | 9:30 AM | FIC 2024-0096 | Michael Ward v. 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: 634 006 132# |
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An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on January 7, 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 2024-0096; Michael Ward v. 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 via speakerphone on his own behalf. Attorney Kimberly Zigich appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here: [Audio](#)

The hearing convened at 9:30 AM with Attorney Nicholas A. Smarra presiding.
The hearing adjourned at 11:08 AM.

Dated: January 9, 2025

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| | 11:00 AM | FIC 2024-0094 | Michael Ward v. 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: 853 861 004# |
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An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on January 7, 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 2024-0094; Michael Ward v. 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 via speakerphone on his own behalf. Attorney Kimberly Zigich 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 11:11 AM.

Dated: January 9, 2025

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| | 1:00 PM | FIC 2024-0452 | Laura Werntz v. Town Clerk, Town of Canaan/Falls Village; First Selectman, Board of Selectmen, Town of Canaan/Falls Village; Board of Selectmen, Town of Canaan/Falls Village; and Town of Canaan/Falls Village Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 221 996 138# |
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NOTICE: The special meeting scheduled in the following matter for January 7, 2025, at 1:00 PM, was postponed.

Docket #FIC 2024-0452; Laura Werntz v. Town Clerk, Town of Canaan/Falls Village; First Selectman, Board of Selectmen, Town of Canaan/Falls Village; Board of Selectmen, Town of Canaan/Falls Village; and Town of Canaan/Falls Village

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| January 8, 2025 | 9:30 AM | FIC 2024-0448 | Daniel Kokoszka v. Chief, Police Department, Town of Willimantic; Police Department, Town of Willimantic; and Town of Willimantic Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 332 642 371# |
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An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on January 8, 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 2024-0448; Daniel Kokoszka v. Chief, Police Department, Town of Windham; Police Department, Town of Windham; and Town of Windham

Daniel Kokoszka appeared on his own behalf. Attorney Kristi Kelly appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here: [Audio1](#) [Audio2](#)

The hearing convened at 9:53 AM with Attorney C. Zack Hyde presiding.
The hearing adjourned at 10:34 AM.

Dated: January 8, 2025

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| January 9, 2025 | 9:30 AM | FIC 2024-0276 | Kevin Beason v. Joseph McNeil, Chief, Police Department, Town of Stratford; Police Department, Town of Stratford; and Town of Stratford Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 209 921 052# |
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NOTICE: The special meeting scheduled in the following matter for January 9, 2025, at 9:30 AM, was cancelled. The complaint in this matter has been withdrawn.

Docket #FIC 2024-0276; Kevin Beason v. Joseph McNeil, Chief, Police Department, Town of Stratford; Police Department, Town of Stratford; and Town of Stratford

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| | 11:00 AM | FIC 2024-0450 | John Corcoran v. Superintendent of Schools, Stamford Public Schools; and Stamford Public Schools Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 430 091 033# |
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NOTICE: The special meeting scheduled in the following matter for January 9, 2025, at 11:00 AM, was cancelled. The complaint in this matter has been withdrawn.

Docket #FIC 2024-0450; John Corcoran v. Superintendent of Schools, Stamford Public Schools; and Stamford Public Schools

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| | 1:00 PM | FIC 2024-0314 | Joao Campos v. Keith White, Chief, Police Department, Town of Monroe; Police Department, Town of Monroe; and Town of Monroe Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 521 137 086# |
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NOTICE: The special meeting scheduled in the following matter for January 9, 2025, at 1:00 PM, was cancelled. The complaint in this matter has been withdrawn.

Docket #FIC 2024-0314; Joao Campos v. Keith White, Chief, Police Department, Town of Monroe; Police Department, Town of Monroe; and Town of Monroe

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| January 10, 2025 | 1:00 PM | FIC 2024-0330 | Patricia Cofrancesco v. Office of the Corporation Counsel, City of New Haven; and City of New Haven Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 349 608 687# |
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An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on January 10, 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 2024-0330; Patricia Cofrancesco v. Office of the Corporation Counsel, City of New Haven; and City of New Haven

Patricia Cofrancesco appeared on her own behalf. The respondents failed to appear. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here: [Audio1](#) [Audio2](#) [Audio3](#)

The hearing convened at 1:02 PM with Attorney Marybeth G. Sullivan presiding.
The hearing adjourned at 2:03 PM.

Dated: January 13, 2025

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| | 2:30 PM | FIC 2024-0331 | Patricia Cofrancesco v. Office of the Corporation Counsel, City of New Haven; and City of New Haven Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 909 432 651# |
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An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on January 10, 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 2024-0331; Patricia Cofrancesco v. Office of the Corporation Counsel, City of New Haven; and City of New Haven

Patricia Cofrancesco appeared on her own behalf. The respondents failed to appear. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here: [Audio1](#) [Audio2](#) [Audio3](#)

The hearing convened at 2:37 PM with Attorney Marybeth G. Sullivan presiding.
The hearing adjourned at 4:14 PM.

Dated: January 13, 2025