



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 5, 2026 through October 9, 2026 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 5, 2026	11:00 AM	FIC 2026-0150	Barry Natale v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Administrative Services; and State of Connecticut, Department of Administrative Services Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 799 919 785#
NOTICE: The special meeting scheduled in the following matter for October 5, 2026, at 11:00 AM, was cancelled. The complaint in this matter has been withdrawn. Docket #FIC 2026-0150; Barry Natale v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Administrative Services; and State of Connecticut, Department of Administrative Services			
October 6, 2026	9:30 AM	FIC 2026-0011	Robert Ghinder v. Zoning Enforcement Officer, Planning and Zoning Department, Town of Deep River; Planning and Zoning Department, Town of Deep River; and Town of Deep River Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 267 391 225#
An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on October 6, 2026, 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 2026-0011; Robert Ghinder v. Zoning Enforcement Officer, Planning and Zoning Department, Town of Deep River; Planning and Zoning Department, Town of Deep River; and Town of Deep River Robert Ghinder appeared on his own behalf. Attorney Kenneth Slater appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here: Audio The hearing convened at 9:32 AM with Attorney Marybeth G. Sullivan presiding. The hearing adjourned at 11:02 AM. Dated: October 13, 2026			

	11:00 AM	FIC 2025-1191	Ryan Salvas; and Alycia Salvas v. Chairman, Agriculture Commission, Town of Sterling; Agriculture Commission, Town of Sterling; and Town of Sterling Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 837 084 796#
An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on October 6, 2026, 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 2025-1191; Ryan Salvas; and Alycia Salvas v. Chairman, Agriculture Commission, Town of Sterling; Agriculture Commission, Town of Sterling; and Town of Sterling Ryan Salvas and Alycia Salvas appeared on their own behalf. Attorney Richard Roberts appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here: Audio The hearing convened at 11:08 AM with Attorney Nicholas A. Smarra presiding. The hearing adjourned at 12:32 PM. Dated: October 13, 2026			
	1:00 PM	FIC 2026-0116	Western Express, Inc. v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Revenue Services; and State of Connecticut, Department of Revenue Services Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 281 628 473#
NOTICE: The special meeting scheduled in the following matter for October 6, 2026, at 1:00 PM, was cancelled. The complaint in this matter has been withdrawn. Docket #FIC 2026-0116; Western Express, Inc. v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Revenue Services; and State of Connecticut, Department of Revenue Services			
	2:30 PM	FIC 2025-1223	Justin DiMarco v. Town Clerk, Town of Wethersfield; and Town of Wethersfield Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 631 113 008#
An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on October 6, 2026, 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 2025-1223; Justin DiMarco v. Town Clerk, Town of Wethersfield; and Town of Wethersfield Justin DiMarco appeared on his own behalf. Attorney John W. Bradley, Jr. appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here: Audio The hearing convened at 2:33 PM with Attorney Nicholas A. Smarra presiding. The hearing adjourned at 3:30 PM. Dated: October 13, 2026			

October 7, 2026	9:30 AM	FIC 2026-0115	Angela Giraldo v. Superintendent of Schools, Norwalk Public Schools; and Norwalk Public Schools Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 319 284 777#
An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on October 7, 2026, 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 2026-0115; Angela Giraldo v. Superintendent of Schools, Norwalk Public Schools; and Norwalk Public Schools Angela Giraldo appeared on her own behalf. Attorney Kimberly Byrd-Carolina, Attorney Thomas Mooney and Attorney Ian Saum 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 9:35 AM with Attorney C. Zack Hyde presiding. The hearing adjourned at 11:55 AM. Dated: October 13, 2026			
	1:00 PM	FIC 2026-0129	Darson Saint-Fort v. State Auditor, State of Connecticut, Auditors of Public Accounts; and State of Connecticut, Auditors of Public Accounts Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 745 794 142#
An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on October 7, 2026, 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 2026-0129; Darson Saint-Fort v. State Auditor, State of Connecticut, Auditors of Public Accounts; and State of Connecticut, Auditors of Public Accounts Darson Saint-Fort appeared on his own behalf. Assistant Attorney General John Langmaid appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here: Audio The hearing convened at 1:00 PM with Attorney Mary-Kate Smith presiding. The hearing adjourned at 2:14 PM. Dated: October 13, 2026			
	2:30 PM	FIC 2026-0130	Darson Saint-Fort 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: 293 350 205#

An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on October 7, 2026, 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 2026-0130; Darson Saint-Fort v. Executive Director, State of Connecticut, Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities; and State of Connecticut, Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities

Darson Saint-Fort appeared on his own behalf. Attorney Robin Trepanier appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here: [Audio](#)

The hearing convened at 2:36 PM with Attorney Mary-Kate Smith presiding.
The hearing adjourned at 4:19 PM.

Dated: October 13, 2026

October 8, 2026	9:30 AM	FIC 2026-0141	Lindsay Dahlheimer v. Chair, Durham Ethics Commission, Town of Durham; Durham Ethics Commission, Town of Durham; and Town of Durham Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 560 247 834#
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An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on October 8, 2026, 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 2026-0141; Lindsay Dahlheimer v. Chair, Durham Ethics Commission, Town of Durham; Durham Ethics Commission, Town of Durham; and Town of Durham

Lindsay Dahlheimer appeared on her own behalf. Attorney Michael Collins appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here: [Audio](#)

The hearing convened at 9:34 AM with Attorney C. Zack Hyde presiding.
The hearing adjourned at 10:59 AM.

Dated: October 15, 2026

	1:00 PM	FIC 2026-0144	Bryant Abbott v. Chief, Police Department, Town of Monroe; Police Department, Town of Monroe; and Town of Monroe Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 143 602 495#
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NOTICE: The special meeting scheduled in the following matter for October 8, 2026, at 1:00 PM, was cancelled. The complaint in this matter has been withdrawn.

Docket #FIC 2026-0144; Bryant Abbott v. Chief, Police Department, Town of Monroe; Police Department, Town of Monroe; and Town of Monroe

October 9, 2026	9:30 AM	FIC 2026-0123	Trevor Whittingham v. Timothy Shaw, Chief, Police Department, City of Stamford; Police Department, City of Stamford; and City of Stamford
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			Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 709 647 411#
An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on October 9, 2026, 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 2026-0123; Trevor Whittingham v. Timothy Shaw, Chief, Police Department, City of Stamford; Police Department, City of Stamford; and City of Stamford Trevor Whittingham appeared on his own behalf. Attorney Michael Toma 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 Marybeth G. Sullivan presiding. The hearing adjourned at 10:32 AM. Dated: October 16, 2026			
	11:00 AM	FIC 2026-0067	Andrew Brown and The Connecticut Mirror v. Douglas McCrory, Senator, State of Connecticut, General Assembly, State Senate; and State of Connecticut, General Assembly, State Senate Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 805 408 522#
An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on October 9, 2026, 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 2026-0067; Andrew Brown and The Connecticut Mirror v. Douglas McCrory, Senator, State of Connecticut, General Assembly, State Senate; and State of Connecticut, General Assembly, State Senate Andrew Brown appeared on his own behalf. The respondents failed to appear. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here: Audio The hearing convened at 11:02 AM with Attorney Nicholas A. Smarra presiding. The hearing adjourned at 11:17 AM. Dated: October 16, 2026			
	2:30 PM	FIC 2026-0155	Andrew Brown, and the Connecticut Mirror v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Public Health; and State of Connecticut, Department of Public Health Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 609 450 155#
NOTICE: The special meeting scheduled in the following matter for October 9, 2026, at 2:30 PM, was postponed. Docket #FIC 2026-0155; Andrew Brown, and The Connecticut Mirror v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Public Health; and State of Connecticut, Department of Public Health			