



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 July 20, 2026 through July 24, 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
July 20, 2026	9:30 AM	FIC 2025-1142	Karen Gaston v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Developmental Services; and State of Connecticut, Department of Developmental Services Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 861 674 995#
An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on July 20, 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 2025-1142; Karen Gaston v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Developmental Services; and State of Connecticut, Department of Developmental Services The complainant failed to appear. Attorney Gerald Gore appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here: Audio The hearing convened at 9:46 AM with Attorney Mary-Kate Smith presiding. The hearing adjourned at 9:53 AM. Dated: July 21, 2026			
	1:00 PM	FIC 2025-1125	Chris Ragunauth v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Correction; and State of Connecticut, Department of Correction Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 175 125 527#
An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on July 20, 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 2025-1125; Chris Ragunauth v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Correction; and State of Connecticut, Department of Correction

The complainant failed to appear. The respondents failed to appear. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here: [Audio](#)

The hearing convened at 1:17 PM with Attorney Mary-Kate Smith presiding.
The hearing adjourned at 1:19 PM.

Dated: July 21, 2026

2:30 PM

FIC 2025-1120

Michael Johnson v. Chief, Police Department, City of Stamford; Police Department, City of Stamford; and City of Stamford

Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075
Conference Code: 931 214 452#

An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on July 20, 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 2025-1120; Michael Johnson v. Chief, Police Department, City of Stamford; Police Department, City of Stamford; and City of Stamford

Michael Johnson 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 2:32 PM with Attorney Nicholas A. Smarra presiding.
The hearing adjourned at 3:48 PM.

Dated: July 21, 2026

July 21, 2026

9:30 AM

FIC 2025-1133

Peter Lewis v. Carol Jones, First Selectman, Town of Deep River; and Town of Deep River

Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075
Conference Code: 338 024 963#

An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on July 21, 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 2025-1133; Peter Lewis v. Carol Jones, First Selectman, Town of Deep River; and Town of Deep River

Peter Lewis appeared on his own behalf. Attorney Christopher E. H. Sanetti appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here: [Audio1](#) [Audio2](#)

The hearing convened at 9:31 AM with Attorney Marybeth G. Sullivan presiding.
The hearing adjourned at 10:57 AM.

Dated: July 21, 2026

July 21, 2026 Continued	11:00 AM	FIC 2025-1177	Christopher Frazier 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: 203 383 633#
An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on July 21, 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 2025-1177; Christopher Frazier v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Administrative Services; and State of Connecticut, Department of Administrative Services Christopher Frazier appeared on his own behalf. Attorney Ernestine Weaver appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here: Audio The hearing convened at 11:03 am with Attorney Valicia D. Harmon presiding. The hearing adjourned at 12:09 pm. Dated: July 21, 2026			
	2:30 PM	FIC 2025-0804	Jim Haddadin v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Connecticut Department of Children and Families; and State of Connecticut, Connecticut Department of Children and Families Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 600 870 012#
An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on July 21, 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 2025-0804; Jim Haddadin v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Connecticut Department of Children and Families; and State of Connecticut, Connecticut Department of Children and Families Jim Haddadin appeared on his own behalf. Attorney Lynn Hebert and Attorney Charlotte Shea appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here: Audio1 Audio2 The hearing convened at 2:34 PM with Attorney Marybeth G. Sullivan presiding. The hearing adjourned at 3:51 PM. Dated: July 21, 2026			
July 22, 2026	9:30 AM	FIC 2025-1168	Michele Scalpi v. City Clerk, City of West Haven; and City of West Haven Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 394 451 682#

An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on July 22, 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 2025-1168; Michele Scalpi v. City Clerk, City of West Haven; and City of West Haven

The complainant failed to appear. Attorney Kevin M. Casini appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here: [Audio](#)

The hearing convened at 9:48 AM with Attorney Mary-Kate Smith presiding.
The hearing adjourned at 9:51 AM.

Dated: July 24, 2026

	11:00 AM	FIC 2025-1106	Claire M. Howard v. General Counsel, Office of General Counsel, Connecticut State Colleges & Universities; and Office of General Counsel, Connecticut State Colleges & Universities Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 216 672 447#
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An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on July 22, 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 2025-1106; Claire M. Howard v. General Counsel, Office of General Counsel, Connecticut State Colleges & Universities; and Office of General Counsel, Connecticut State Colleges & Universities

Claire M. Howard appeared on her own behalf. Attorney Christopher Engler appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here: [Audio1](#) [Audio2](#)

The hearing convened at 11:03 AM with Attorney C. Zack Hyde presiding.
The hearing adjourned at 12:19 PM.

Dated: July 24, 2026

July 23, 2026	9:30 AM	FIC 2025-0950	Ronnie Hinton v. Angel Quiros, Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Correction; and State of Connecticut, Department of Correction Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 717 727 168#
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An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on July 23, 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 2025-0950; Ronnie Hinton v. Angel Quiros, Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Correction; and State of Connecticut, Department of Correction

Ronnie Hinton 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 9:40 AM with Attorney Paul V. Arce presiding.
The hearing adjourned at 11:09 AM.

Dated: July 27, 2026

July 23, 2026 Continued	11:00 AM	FIC 2025-1103	Demitric Baez v. Director of Institutional Equity, State of Connecticut, Eastern Connecticut State University; and State of Connecticut, Eastern Connecticut State University Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 691 408 269#
An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on July 23, 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 2025-1103; Demitric Baez v. Director of Institutional Equity, State of Connecticut, Eastern Connecticut State University; and State of Connecticut, Eastern Connecticut State University Demitric Baez appeared on behalf of the respondents. Attorney Christopher Engler 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 11:07 AM with Attorney C. Zack Hyde presiding. The hearing adjourned at 12:46 PM. Dated: July 27, 2026			
	2:30 PM	FIC 2025-0910	Ronald J. Pugliese v. First Selectman, Town of Middlebury; and Town of Middlebury Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 131 239 229#
NOTICE: The special meeting scheduled in the following matter for July 23, 2026, at 2:30 PM, was postponed. Docket #FIC 2025-0910; Ronald J. Pugliese v. First Selectman, Town of Middlebury; and Town of Middlebury			
July 24, 2026	11:00 AM	FIC 2025-1105	Dr. Natalie Levitt v. Mayor, City of Stamford; Law Department, City of Stamford; and City of Stamford Dial-in Number: 860-840-2075 Conference Code: 118 912 915#
NOTICE: The special meeting scheduled in the following matter for July 24, 2026, at 11:00 AM, was cancelled. The complaint in this matter has been withdrawn. Docket #FIC 2025-1105; Dr. Natalie Levitt v. Mayor, City of Stamford; Law Department, City of Stamford; and City of Stamford			
	1:00 PM	FIC 2025-1159	Kailani Carlson v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection; and State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection

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An evidentiary hearing of the Freedom of Information Commission in the following matter was held on July 24, 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 2025-1159; Kailani Carlson v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection; and State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection

The complainant failed to appear. Attorney Jennifer Miller appeared on behalf of the respondents. No votes were taken. The proceedings were digitally recorded and available here: [Audio](#)

The hearing convened at 1:08 PM with Attorney Nicholas A. Smarra presiding.

The hearing adjourned at 1:11 PM.

Dated: July 27, 202