

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT

In the Matter of a Complaint by

FINAL DECISION

Claudette Worth,

Complainant

against

Docket #FIC 2016-0367

Treasurer, State of Connecticut, Office  
of the Treasurer; and State of Connecticut  
Office of the Treasurer,

Respondents

December 7, 2016

The above-captioned matter was scheduled to be heard as a contested case on August 9, 2016 at 2:30 P.M., at which time Attorney Catherine E. LaMarr appeared on behalf of the respondents, but the complainant did not appear to prosecute the case.

The hearing officer notes that Attorney LaMarr represented that the respondents had spent considerable time searching for records responsive to the request. Specifically, Attorney LaMarr represented that, prior to the scheduled hearing, her clients had thoroughly searched eight databases and had expended approximately 12 hours of staff time doing so. Attorney LaMarr also represented that she too had also spent considerable time meeting with her clients in order to review their search efforts and strategize about where responsive records might be located within the Office of the Treasurer. The hearing officer notes that the underlying request for records in this case sought any and all records (without a date limitation) that the respondents maintained that contained complainant's name, or any of the complainant's seven aliases.

The following order by the Commission is hereby recommended on the basis of the record concerning the above-captioned complaint:

1. The complaint is hereby dismissed.
2. The complainant is admonished for her failure to appear at the hearing in this matter, which failure resulted in a waste of scarce state resources.

Approved by Order of the Freedom of Information Commission at its regular meeting of December 7, 2016.



Cynthia A. Cannata  
Acting Clerk of the Commission

PURSUANT TO SECTION 4-180(c), G.S., THE FOLLOWING ARE THE NAMES OF EACH PARTY AND THE MOST RECENT MAILING ADDRESS, PROVIDED TO THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COMMISSION, OF THE PARTIES OR THEIR AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE.

THE PARTIES TO THIS CONTESTED CASE ARE:

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