STATE OF CONNECTICUT FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of a Complaint by

FINAL DECISION

Ethan Book,

Complainant

against

Docket # FIC 2021-0523

Sheriff, City of Bridgeport; and City of Bridgeport,

Respondents

April 13, 2022

The above-captioned matter was heard as a contested case on February 2, 2022, at which time the complainant and the respondents appeared, and presented testimony, exhibits and argument on the complaint. For purposes of the hearing, the above-captioned matter was consolidated with Docket #FIC 2021-0493; Ethan Book v. Sheriff, City of Bridgeport; and City of Bridgeport; and Docket #FIC 2021-0522; Ethan Book v. Sheriff, City of Bridgeport; and City of Bridgeport. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the state's response to it, the hearing was conducted through the use of electronic equipment (remotely) pursuant to §149 of Public Act 21-2 (June Special Session).

Subsequent to the hearing, the complainant submitted an after-filed exhibit, which has been admitted into evidence and marked as <u>Complainant's Exhibit B</u> (after-filed): Return Receipt from Ethan Book to Enrique Torres. The complainant also filed a post-hearing brief, wherein he withdrew his complaint.

The Commission takes administrative notice of such withdrawal.

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

1. Based on the withdrawal of the complaint, the complaint is dismissed.

Approved by Order of the Freedom of Information Commission at its regular meeting of April 13, 2022.

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:

ETHAN BOOK, 144 Coleman Street, Bridgeport, CT 06604

SHERIFF, CITY OF BRIDGEPORT; AND CITY OF BRIDGEPORT, c/o Attorney Dina A. Scalo, Office of the City Attorney, 999 Broad Street, 2nd Floor, Bridgeport, CT 06604

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