

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT

In the Matter of a Complaint by

FINAL DECISION

Audrey Felson,

Complainant

against

Docket #FIC 2021-0272

Chief, Police Department,
City of Bridgeport; Police
Department, City of
Bridgeport; and City of
Bridgeport,

Respondents

February 8, 2023

The above-captioned matter was heard as a contested case on August 29, 2022, at which time the complainant and the respondents appeared, and presented testimony, exhibits and argument on the complaint.¹ Upon order of the hearing officer, the August 29 hearing was continued. By notice dated November 30, 2022, the Commission informed the parties that an in-person, continued hearing would take place on December 27, 2022.

At the December 27, 2022 continued hearing, the respondents appeared, but the complainant did not appear to prosecute the case. Attorney Dina Scalo, counsel for the respondents, appeared at the continued hearing with Sgt. Michael Sigrist, Custodian of Records for the Bridgeport Police Department, and Nicole Lozada, a typist in the Bridgeport Police Department's Records Department. Attorney Scalo represented that she had spent the better part of three business days preparing for the continued hearing, including reviewing the record in this case and preparing her witnesses to testify.

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 for failure to prosecute.

¹ The August 29, 2022 hearing was conducted through the use of electronic equipment (remotely) pursuant to §149 of Public Act 21-2 (June Spec. Sess.), as amended by §1 of Public Act 22-3.

Approved by Order of the Freedom of Information Commission at its regular meeting of February 8, 2023.



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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:

AUDREY FELSEN, Koffsky & Felsen, LLC, 1150 Bedford Street, Stamford, CT 06905

CHIEF, POLICE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF BRIDGEPORT; POLICE DEPARTMENT, 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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