FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT

In the Matter of a Complaint by

FINAL DECISION

Stephen Busemeyer, David Altimari, and the CT Mirror,

Complainants

against

Docket #FIC 2023-0422

Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection; and State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection,

Respondents

July 24, 2024

The above-captioned matter was heard as a contested case on January 23, 2024, at which time the complainants and respondents appeared, stipulated to certain facts and presented exhibits and argument on the complaint.¹

Prior to the January 23, 2024 hearing, the Connecticut State Police Union moved and was granted intervenor status, over the objection of the complainants. At the hearing, counsel for the intervenor appeared and presented argument on the complaint.

By email received on June 27, 2024, the complainants withdrew their 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 upon the withdrawal, the complaint is dismissed.

¹ The Commission notes that the complaint in this matter, received and filed on August 18, 2023, was docketed as having been filed by Stephen Busemeyer and the CT Mirror. By Notice and Order, dated January 3, 2024, the parties were informed that upon further review of the notice of appeal and underlying records request, this appeal was taken from a denial of a request for records that was made by David Altimari and the CT Mirror. Accordingly, the case caption was corrected to include David Altimari as a complainant in this matter.

Approved by Order of the Freedom of Information Commission at its regular meeting of July 24, 2024.

Jennifer M. Mayo
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:

STEPHEN BUSEMEYER, DAVID ALTIMARI AND THE CONNECTICUT MIRROR, c/o Attorney William S. Fish, Hinkley, Allen & Snyder LLP, 20 Church Street, 18th Floor, Hartford, CT 06103

COMMISSIONER, STATE OF CONNECTICUT, DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND PUBLIC PROTECTION; AND STATE OF CONNECTICUT, DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND PUBLIC PROTECTION c/o Assistant Attorney General Terrance M. O'Neill, Office of the Attorney General, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT 06106

CONNECTICUT STATE POLICE UNION, c/o Attorney Jeffrey Ment, The Ment Law Group, PC, 225 Asylum Street, Hartford, CT 06103

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