

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of a Complaint by

FINAL DECISION

Richard Quint,

Complainant

against

Docket # FIC 2024-0817

Commissioner, State of Connecticut,
Department of Correction; and State of
Connecticut, Department of Correction,

Respondents

July 9, 2025

The above-captioned matter was scheduled to be heard as a contested case on May 20, 2025, at which time the respondents appeared, but the complainant failed to appear.

The complainant, who is incarcerated, was scheduled to appear for the hearing in this matter via teleconference, pursuant to the January 2004 memorandum of understanding between the Commission and the Department of Correction. See *Anthony Sinchak v. Freedom of Info. Comm'n*, Docket No. CV 03-0826293, Superior Court, J.D. of Hartford at Hartford, Corrected Order dated January 27, 2004 (Sheldon, J.). The hearing officer notes that, pursuant to established protocol, she contacted Officer Roberts at the MacDougall-Walker Correctional Institution via telephone and requested that Officer Roberts connect the complainant to the call for the hearing in this matter. Officer Roberts stated that when she went to retrieve the complainant for his scheduled hearing in this matter, she was informed that the complainant chose to attend a disciplinary hearing instead of the previously scheduled hearing in this matter.

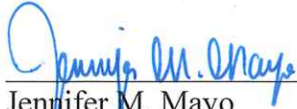
The hearing officer further notes that Attorney Michael Kochol, counsel for the respondents, appeared at the hearing with a witness, Counselor Supervisor Secore, the Freedom of Information Administrator for the respondent State of Connecticut, Department of Correction. Counselor Supervisor Secore represented that the complainant should have informed the respondents and the disciplinary officer that he had a FOI Hearing on the same date and time as the disciplinary hearing and the disciplinary hearing could have been rescheduled to a different time and/or date. Conversely, the complainant failed to inform CS Secore or this Commission that he had a disciplinary hearing and failed to file a request to postpone the May 20, 2025 hearing in this matter.

The hearing officer further notes that the May 20, 2025 hearing in this matter was a postponed hearing from May 13, 2025, pursuant to the complainant's postponement request dated April 7, 2025. Notice of the May 20, 2025 hearing date was sent to the complainant on April 14, 2025. The complainant was also informed of the May 20, 2025 hearing in this matter when the respondents provided him with their proposed exhibit for such hearing.

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.

Approved by Order of the Freedom of Information Commission at its regular meeting of July 9, 2025.



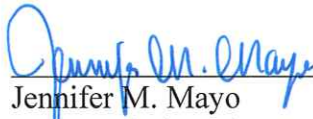
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PURSUANT TO SECTION 4-180(c), G.S., THE FOLLOWING ARE THE NAMES OF EACH PARTY AND THE MOST RECENT MAILING ADDRESS, PROVIDED TO THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COMMISSION, OF THE PARTIES OR THEIR AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE.

THE PARTIES TO THIS CONTESTED CASE ARE:

RICHARD QUINT, #123433, MacDougall-Walker Correctional Institution, 1153 East Street, South, Suffield, CT 06080

**COMMISSIONER, STATE OF CONNECTICUT, DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION;
AND STATE OF CONNECTICUT, DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION**, c/o Attorney
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