

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT

In the Matter of a Complaint by

FINAL DECISION

Bryant Abbott,

Complainant

against

Docket # FIC 2025-0424

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

Respondents

May 27, 2026

The above-captioned matter was heard as a contested case on January 12, 2026, at which time the complainant and the respondents appeared, stipulated to certain facts, and presented testimony, exhibits and argument on the complaint.

Following the conclusion of the hearing, the hearing officer ordered the respondents to submit a post-hearing brief by February 6, 2026, and afforded the complainant the opportunity to also submit a brief. On January 20, 2026, the complainant filed his brief, and on February 4, 2026, the respondents filed their brief.

After consideration of the entire record, the following facts are found and conclusions of law are reached:

1. The respondents are public agencies within the meaning of §1-200(1), G.S.
2. It is found that, by online submission on May 3, 2025, the complainant requested that the respondents provide him with copies of:
 - (a) The files for the 1977 homicide of Renee Freer in Monroe, CT.
 - (b) Any forensic evidence, chain of custody logs, or submissions made to state or federal crime labs;
 - (c) Any internal memoranda, correspondence, or procedural reports; and
 - (d) Any summary files, administrative logs or records classified as non-lead generating.

3. It is found that, by automated response on May 7, 2025, the respondents acknowledged the complainant's request.

4. It is found that, by email dated May 21, 2025, the complainant requested a status update on his records request.

5. It is found that, by message sent through the GovQA portal on May 22, 2025, the respondents requested clarification of the complainant's May 3, 2025 request (whether he was also requesting DNA materials), confirmed that they were working on his request, and that they would provide copies of responsive records once located.

6. It is found that, by email dated May 22, 2025, the complainant confirmed that he was requesting DNA materials.

7. By email dated June 2, 2025, the complainant appealed to this Commission, alleging that the respondents violated the Freedom of Information ("FOI") Act by failing to provide him with records responsive to his request, described in paragraph 2, above.

8. Section 1-200(5), G.S., provides:

"[p]ublic records or files" means any recorded data or information relating to the conduct of the public's business prepared, owned, used, received or retained by a public agency, or to which a public agency is entitled to receive a copy by law or contract under section 1-218, whether such data or information be handwritten, typed, tape-recorded, videotaped, printed, photostated, photographed or recorded by any other method.

9. Section 1-210(a), G.S., provides in relevant part that:

[e]xcept as otherwise provided by any federal law or state statute, all records maintained or kept on file by any public agency, whether or not such records are required by any law or by any rule or regulation, shall be public records and every person shall have the right to . . . (3) receive a copy of such records in accordance with section 1-212.

10. Section 1-212(a), G.S., provides in relevant part that "[a]ny person applying in writing shall receive, promptly upon request, a plain, facsimile, electronic or certified copy of any public record."

11. It is concluded that the records described in paragraph 2, above, are public records within the meaning of §§1-200(5) and 1-210(a), G.S.

12. At the contested case hearing on this matter, the complainant contended that the respondents had not provided all records responsive to his request, described in paragraph 2, above.

13. The respondents contended that all of the responsive records are exempt from disclosure in their entirety, pursuant to §46b-124, G.S., or in the alternative, portions of the records are exempt from disclosure pursuant to the following exemptions: §§1-210(b)(3)(B), 1-210(b)(3)(E), 1-210(b)(3)(A), 54-102j, 1-210(b)(3)(F), 54-86e and 1-216, G.S.¹

14. On March 25, 2026, the respondents submitted the responsive records to the Commission for in camera inspection, along with two Indexes to Records Submitted for In Camera Inspection (“In Camera Indexes”). The responsive records shall hereinafter be referred to as the “in camera records.” The in camera records are fairly characterized as laboratory reports for DNA and audio recordings of interviews related to a 1977 investigation into the death of Renee Freer. The laboratory reports will be referred to as IC-2025-0424-0001 through IC-2025-0424-1112 and the audio recordings will be referred to as IC-2025-0424-16-Side 1 through IC-2025-0424-17-72 Side A.²

15. On the In Camera Indexes, the respondents claimed that a substantial portion of the in camera records are exempt from disclosure, too numerous to individually list herein.

16. “[I]t is well established that the general rule under the [FOI Act] is disclosure, and any exception to that rule will be narrowly construed in the light of the general policy of openness expressed in the [FOI Act],” and that “[t]he burden of proving the applicability of [such] an exception . . . rests [on] the party claiming it.” (Citation omitted.) Drumm v. FOI Commission, 348 Conn. 565, 581 (2024). The rule requiring exemptions to be narrowly construed applies equally whether the exemption at issue is set forth in the FOI Act or another provision of the General Statutes. Commissioner v. FOI Commission, 330 Conn. 372, 392 (2018). The courts have recognized that in instances wherein the applicability of an exemption is clear from the face of the record in question, extrinsic evidence is not required to prove such exemption. See e.g. Lash v. Freedom of Info. Comm’n, 300 Conn. 511, 515-516 (2011).

Section 46b-124, G.S.

17. The respondents argued at the contested case hearing, and in their post-hearing brief, that the entirety of the in camera records are exempt from disclosure pursuant to §46b-124, G.S.

18. With respect to this matter, it is found that the requested records comprise an investigative file maintained by the respondents concerning the 1977 murder of Renee Freer. It is found that while the law enforcement investigation ultimately led to a juvenile suspect, no charges were ever filed, the statute of limitations has run and the suspect cannot be charged.

¹ In the respondents’ brief, they also claim that §1-210(b)(3)(C), G.S., permits redaction of any sworn statements. Upon careful examination of the In Camera Indexes, no such exemption was claimed for any of the in camera records submitted.

² The audio recordings referred to on the In Camera Indexes include references to the sides as a number as well as a letter.

19. Section 46b-124, G.S., which is entitled, “Confidentiality of records of juvenile matters,” provides, in relevant part:

(a) “records of cases of juvenile matters” **includes, but is not limited to**, court records. . . **records of law enforcement agencies including fingerprints, photographs and physical descriptions.**

. .

(b) All records of cases of juvenile matters, **as provided in section 46b-121.** . . shall be confidential and for the use of the court in juvenile matters. . .

(Emphasis added.)

20. In turn, §46b-121, G.S., defines “juvenile matters” as limited to the following:

(a)(1) Juvenile matters **in civil session include** all proceedings concerning uncared-for, neglected or abused children within this state, termination of parental rights of children committed to a state agency, adoption proceedings pursuant to section 46b-129b, contested matters involving termination of parental rights or removal of guardian transferred from the Probate Court and the emancipation of minors, but does not include matters of guardianship and adoption or matters affecting property rights of any child over which the Probate Court has jurisdiction, except that appeals from probate concerning adoption, termination of parental rights and removal of a parent as guardian. . .

(2) (A) Juvenile matters in the **criminal session** include all proceedings concerning delinquent children within this state and persons eighteen years of age and older who are under the supervision of a juvenile probation officer while on probation supervision or probation supervision with residential placement, for purposes of enforcing any court orders entered as part of such probation.

21. The plain language of §§46b-124 and 46b-121, G.S., requires confidentiality of all records of cases of juvenile court matters. Law enforcement agency records, such as the in camera records in this matter, are confidential under §46b-124, G.S., **if they also constitute records of cases of “juvenile matters,”** within the meaning of §46b-121, G.S. As explained in Glastonbury Police Dept. v. Freedom of Info. Comm’n, No. CV 970570076, 1998 WL 161238, at *3, 21 Conn. L. Rptr. 498 (March 25, 1998) (“Glastonbury”), “the plain language of [§46b-121] does not include police department records unless they are part of ‘records of cases of juvenile matters’.”

22. As already found in paragraph 18, above, the juvenile suspect at the center of the investigation of the 1977 death of Renee Freer was not arrested or charged. It is also found, based on a careful review of the in camera records, and in consideration of the evidence

presented at the hearing, that the respondents failed to present evidence that such suspect, or any other person described in such records, was the subject of “juvenile matters,” as set forth in §46b-121, G.S., and further, that any of the in camera records constitute records of such “juvenile matters.”

23. The respondents contend that legislative amendments made to §46b-124, G.S., in 2003³ expanded the scope of the applicability of the confidentiality provisions to include records of law enforcement agencies and eliminated the qualifying language related to “proceedings.”

24. However, as recognized by the respondents in their brief, such reading is not supported by the legislative history, nor have the respondents cited to any case law in support of their interpretation of the significance of the 2003 amendments. The respondents also ignore that “juvenile matters” is defined under §46b-121, G.S., and that absent a showing that the in camera records in this matter are records of one of the “juvenile matters” identified therein, the Commission cannot find that such records are exempt from disclosure under §46b-124, G.S.

25. The respondents also contend that a broad construction of §46b-124, G.S., aligns with the “undisputed purpose of the law as articulated by our Supreme Court in In re Sheldon G., 216 Conn. 563, 571 (1990), namely to protect juveniles from reputational damage based on conduct from their youth.” However, in reading In re Sheldon G., it is clear that in enacting §46b-124, G.S., the legislature intended to more narrowly shield the records of “juvenile court proceedings”, in part, to protect juveniles from reputational harm. The legislature did not intend to more broadly protect juveniles from reputational damage based on the conduct from their youth. See e.g., 216 Conn. at 569-70 (“The history of §46b-124 begins with the enactment of legislation in 1921 that created a separate system of juvenile courts. *That legislation directed that the records generated by juvenile court proceedings be kept separately from other court records* ... The [legislative] amendment in 1941 ... authorize[d] judicial discretion to determine precisely who might have ‘a proper interest’ in the information contained in *juvenile court records*... The 1969 amendment expressly provided that *records of cases brought before the juvenile courts*, ‘including studies and reports by probation officers, social agencies, and clinics, *shall be confidential and for the use of said court*’ ...” (Emphasis added.)

26. Furthermore, the respondents argue that §1-210(b)(3)(F), G.S., the provision under the FOI Act that exempts from disclosure “arrest records of a juvenile” must be read in tandem with §46b-124, G.S., to shield from disclosure records of uncharged investigations. However, §1-210(b)(3)(F), G.S., specifically exempts investigatory files concerning the *arrest* records of a juvenile, whereas §46b-124, G.S., governs the confidentiality of records of the juvenile court system.

27. Based on all of the foregoing, it is found that the in camera records at issue constitute police investigation records that pertain to minors as in Glastonbury, but they do not constitute “records of a juvenile matter,” within the meaning of §46b-121, G.S., and therefore, are not subject to the confidentiality provisions set forth in §46b-124, G.S.

³ See Public Act 03-202, which added a new subsection (a), defining “records of juvenile matters” and which made other changes not relevant to the issues herein.

28. It is therefore concluded that the in camera records are not exempt from disclosure pursuant to §46b-124, G.S.

29. Each of the respondents' additional claims of exemptions will be addressed in turn, below.

Section 1-210(b)(3)(B), G.S.

30. With regard to the respondents' claim that certain in camera records, described in Appendix A to this decision, are exempt from disclosure pursuant to §1-210(b)(3)(B), G.S., such provision provides that nothing in the FOI Act shall be construed to require the disclosure of:

[r]ecords of law enforcement agencies not otherwise available to the public which records were compiled in connection with the detection or investigation of crime, if the disclosure of such records would not be in the public interest because it would result in the disclosure of... (B) **the identity of minor witnesses**. . . .

(Emphasis added.)

31. After careful inspection of the in camera records, it is found that the records described in Appendix A to this decision, are records of law enforcement agencies that were compiled in connection with the detection or investigation of crime, and, that disclosure of such portions of the records would not be in the public interest because it would result in the disclosure of the identity of minor witnesses.

32. It is therefore concluded that such portions of the in camera records described in Appendix A to this decision, are exempt from disclosure pursuant to §1-210(b)(3)(B), G.S., and the respondents did not violate §§1-210(a) and 1-212(a), G.S., by withholding such records from the complainant.

Section 1-210(b)(3)(E), G.S.

33. With regard to the respondents' claim that certain in camera records, described in Appendix B to this decision, are exempt from disclosure pursuant to §1-210(b)(3)(E), G.S., such provision provides that nothing in the FOI Act shall be construed to require the disclosure of:

Records of law enforcement agencies not otherwise available to the public which records were compiled in connection with the detection or investigation of crime, if the disclosure of said records would not be in the public interest because it would result in the disclosure of. . . (E) **investigatory techniques not otherwise known to the general public**. . . .

(Emphasis added.)

34. After careful inspection of the in camera records, it is found that the records described in Appendix B to this decision, are records of law enforcement agencies that were compiled in connection with the detection or investigation of a crime, and, that disclosure of

such records would not be in the public interest because they contain investigatory techniques not otherwise known to the general public.

35. It is therefore concluded that all of the in camera records identified in Appendix B to this decision, are exempt from disclosure pursuant to §1-210(b)(3)(E), G.S., and that the respondents did not violate §§1-210(a) and 1-212(a), G.S., by withholding such records from the complainant.

Section 1-210(b)(3)(A), G.S.

36. Next, the respondents claimed that certain in camera records, described in Appendix C to this decision, are exempt from disclosure pursuant to §1-210(b)(3)(A), G.S., which provides that nothing in the FOI Act shall be construed to require the disclosure of:

Records of law enforcement agencies not otherwise available to the public which records were compiled in connection with the detection or investigation of a crime, if the disclosure of such records would not be in the public interest because it would result in the disclosure of the identity of informants or mandated reporters. . . not otherwise known **or identity of witnesses not otherwise known whose safety would be endangered or who would be subject to threat or intimidation if their identity was made known.**

(Emphasis added.)

37. After careful inspection of the in camera records, it is found that the records described in Appendix C to this decision, are records of law enforcement agencies not otherwise available to the public which were compiled in connection with the investigation of a crime.

38. It is found, however, that the respondents failed to prove any specific person identified in such records has an identity that is not otherwise known. Likewise, the respondents also failed to prove that any specific individuals' safety would be endangered or would be subject to threat or intimidation if their identity were made known.

39. It is therefore concluded that the respondents failed to prove that the records described in Appendix C to this decision, are exempt from disclosure pursuant to §1-210(b)(3)(A), G.S. It is further concluded that the respondents violated §§1-210(a) and 1-212(a), G.S., by withholding such records from the complainant.

Section 54-102(j), G.S.

40. Next, the respondents claimed that the in camera records identified in Appendix D to this decision, are exempt from disclosure pursuant to §54-102j, G.S.

41. Section 54-102j, G.S., provides:

(a) It shall be the duty of the Division of Scientific Services within the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection to

receive blood or other biological samples and to analyze, classify and file the results of DNA identification characteristics profiles of blood or other biological samples submitted pursuant to section 54-102g and to make such information available as provided in this section ... The results of an analysis and comparison of the identification characteristics from two or more blood or other biological samples shall be made available directly to federal, state and local law enforcement officers upon request made in furtherance of an official investigation of any criminal offense. ... The name of the person making the request and the purpose for which the information is requested shall be maintained on file with the division.

42. It is concluded that §54-102j, G.S., permits disclosure of DNA database results only to federal, state and local law enforcement officers upon request made in furtherance of an official investigation of a crime.

43. Section 54-102i, G.S., provides that, other than as provided in §54-102j, G.S., “the results of the [DNA] analysis conducted pursuant to 54-102j, G.S., shall be securely stored and shall remain confidential.”

44. The Commission previously held in Evan Parzych v. Chief, Police Department, City of Bridgeport, et al., Docket #FIC 2022-0366 (August 9, 2023), that DNA records similar to those at issue herein were exempt from disclosure pursuant to §54-102j, G.S. See also Marlando Daley v. Chief, Armando Perez, Police Department, City of Bridgeport, et al., Docket #FIC 2019-0516 (November 18, 2020) (finding DNA records that do not pertain to the complainant are exempt from disclosure).

45. After careful inspection of the in camera records, it is found that the records described in Appendix D to this decision, are the results of DNA testing performed by the respondents that do not pertain to the complainant and were not requested in furtherance of an official investigation of any crime.

46. Based on all of the foregoing, it is concluded that the records described in Appendix D to this decision, are exempt from disclosure pursuant to §§54-102i and 54-102j, G.S., and that the respondents did not violate §§1-210(a) and 1-212(a), G.S., by withholding such records from the complainant.

Section 1-210(b)(3)(F), G.S.

47. Next, the respondents contended that certain in camera records, described in paragraph 48, below, are exempt from disclosure pursuant to §1-210(b)(3)(F), G.S., which provides that nothing in the FOI Act shall be construed to require the disclosure of:

records of law enforcement agencies not otherwise available to the public which records were compiled in connection with the detection or investigation of crime, if the disclosure of such records would not be in the public interest because it would result

in the disclosure of ...(F) arrest records of a juvenile, which shall also include investigatory files, concerning the arrest of such juvenile, compiled for law enforcement purposes. . . .

(Emphasis added.)

48. The following in camera records were claimed to be exempt from disclosure pursuant to §1-210(b)(3)(F), G.S.: IC-2025-0424-6 Side 1, Time Stamps: 02:02-02:03, 03:16-03:17, 34:55-34:55, 35:54-35:54, 35:57-35:57; IC-2025-0424-008 Side 1, Time Stamps: 40:40-40:41 and 43:35-43:35; IC-2025-0424-014 Side 1, Time Stamps: 01:01-01:02, 01:15-01:26, 01:29-01:29, 01:33-01:34, 02:38-02:39, 04:08-04:08, 05:16-05:27 and 05:56-05:56; IC-2025-0424-015, Side 1, Time Stamps: 06:12-06:13, 06:25-06:26, 06:31-06:32 and 06:32-06:33; IC-2025-0424-024, Side 1, Time Stamp: 06:46-06:47; IC-2025-0424-062, Side B, Time Stamp: 12:38-12:48; and IC-2025-0424-063, Side B, Time Stamp: 01:06-01:08.

49. In Gerardo Torres v. Chief, Police Department, City of Bridgeport, et al., Docket #FIC 2023-0294 (May 22, 2024), the Commission concluded that arrest records of a juvenile were exempt from disclosure pursuant to §1-210(b)(3)(F), G.S. See also Jonathan Figueroa v. Chief, Police Department, Town of New Britain, et al., Docket #FIC 2023-0434 (July 10, 2024) (exempting video recordings of juvenile arrests).

50. After careful inspection of the in camera records, it is found that the records, or portions thereof, described in paragraph 48, above, constitute records of law enforcement agencies not otherwise available to the public, which were compiled in connection with the detection or investigation of crime. It is further found that the disclosure of such records would not be in the public interest because it would result in the disclosure of arrest records of a juvenile within the meaning of §1-210(b)(3)(F), G.S. Accordingly, it is concluded that the respondents did not violate the disclosure provisions of §§1-210(a) and 1-212(a), G.S., by withholding such records from the complainant.

Section 54-86e, G.S.

51. On the In Camera Indexes, the respondents claimed that IC-2025-0424-063, Side B, Time Stamp 01:32-01:37, is exempt from disclosure pursuant to §54-86e, G.S., which provides that:

The name and address of the victim of a sexual assault under section 53a-70, 53a-70a, 53a-71, 53a-72a, 53a-72b or 53a-73a, voyeurism under section 53a-189a, or injury or risk of injury, or impairing of morals under section 53-21, or of an attempt thereof, or family violence, as defined in section 46b-38a, and such other identifying information pertaining to such victim as determined by the court, shall be confidential and shall be disclosed only upon order of the Superior Court, except that (1) such information shall be available to the accused in the same manner and time as such information is available to persons accused of other criminal offenses, and (2) if a protective order is issued in a prosecution under any of said sections, the name and address of the victim, in

addition to the information contained in and concerning the issuance of such order, shall be entered in the registry of protective orders pursuant to section 51-5c.

52. At neither the hearing nor in their post-hearing brief did the respondents offer any evidence as to the applicability of §54-86e, G.S., to the portions of the in camera records described in paragraph 51, above. In addition, after a careful inspection of the in camera records, it is found that the respondents failed to prove that disclosure of IC-2025-0424-063, Side B, Time Stamp 01:32-01:37 would result in the disclosure of any of the confidential information described in paragraph 51, above.

53. It is therefore concluded that the respondents violated §§1-210(a) and 1-212(a), G.S., by withholding IC-2025-0424-063, Side B, Time Stamp 01:32-01:37, from the complainant.

Section 1-216, G.S.

54. Next, the respondents contended that the following portions of the in camera records are exempt from disclosure pursuant to §1-216, G.S.: IC-2025-0424-17-039, Side 1, 00:00:40-00:00:46, 00:00:58-00:01:04, and 00:14:50-00:14:52.

55. Section 1-210(b)(3)(H), G.S., provides in relevant part, that disclosure is not required of:

[r]ecords of law enforcement agencies not otherwise available to the public which records were compiled in connection with the detection or investigation of a crime, if the disclosure of said records would not be in the public interest because it would result in the disclosure of . . . (H) uncorroborated allegations subject to destruction pursuant to 1-216.

56. Section 1-216, G.S., provides as follows:

[e]xcept for records the retention of which is otherwise controlled by law or regulation, records of law enforcement agencies consisting of uncorroborated allegations that an individual has engaged in criminal activity shall be reviewed by the law enforcement agency one year after the creation of such records. If the existence of the alleged criminal activity cannot be corroborated within ninety days of the commencement of such review, the law enforcement agency shall destroy such records.

57. The Commission has interpreted the term “corroborate” to mean “to strengthen, to add weight or credibility to a thing by additional and confirming facts or evidence”, “to state facts tending to produce confidence in the truth of a statement made by another”, and “to give increased support to; make more sure or evident.” See e.g. Rachel Gottlieb and the Hartford Courant v. State of Connecticut, Department of Public Safety, Docket #FIC 94-291 (May 24, 1995).

58. After a careful inspection of the in camera records, it is found that the records described in paragraph 54, above, are records of a law enforcement agency, not otherwise available to the public, which were compiled in connection with the detection or investigation of crime within the meaning of §1-210(b)(3)(H), G.S.

59. It is found, however, that the respondents provided no extrinsic evidence to prove that disclosure of the portion of in camera records, described in paragraph 54, above, would result in the disclosure of “uncorroborated allegations” subject to destruction pursuant to section 1-216 within the meaning of §1-210(b)(3)(H), G.S., nor is it apparent from an in camera review of such records. It is therefore found that the respondents failed to prove that such records are exempt from disclosure pursuant to §§1-210(b)(3)(H) and 1-216, G.S., and further concluded that the respondents violated the disclosure provisions of §§1-210(a) and 1-212(a), G.S., by withholding such records from the complainant.

NONRESPONSIVE RECORDS

60. Finally, on the In Camera Indexes, the respondents indicated that the records contained in Appendix E to this decision, are not responsive to the underlying request.

61. After careful inspection of the in camera records, it is found that the records, or portions thereof, described in Appendix E to this decision, do not pertain to the complainant’s request for copies of records, and therefore are not responsive to such request.

62. Accordingly, the records, or portions thereof, identified in Appendix E to this decision, need not be disclosed to the complainant and will not be further addressed herein.

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

1. Within forty-five (45) days of the Notice of Final Decision in this matter, the respondents shall provide the complainant with a copy of the in camera records, or portions thereof, identified in Appendix C to this decision, as well as those described in paragraphs 51 and 54, above, free of charge.

2. Henceforth, the respondents shall strictly comply with the disclosure requirements of §§1-210(a) and 1-212(a), G.S.

Approved by Order of the Freedom of Information Commission at its regular meeting of May 27, 2026.

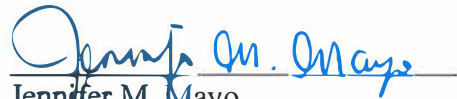

Jennifer M. Mayo
Acting Clerk of the Commission

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:

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APPENDIX A

As indicated in paragraphs 30-32, of the findings in Docket #FIC 2025-0424, the following in camera records, or portions thereof, may be withheld from disclosure pursuant to §1-210(b)(3)(B), G.S., as identity of minor witnesses:

IC-2025-0424-0001: Lines 9, 20, 26, and 30.	IC-2025-0424-0108: Lines 8, 12, 13, 17, 21, 25, 29, 33, 38 and 39.
IC-2025-0424-0010: Lines 30, 32, and 34.	IC-2025-0424-0109: Lines 8, 12, 13, 17, 20, 24, 29, 32, 33 and 38.
IC-2025-0424-0059: Line 30.	IC-2025-0424-0110: Lines 7, 10, 13, 16, and 19.
IC-2025-0424-0060: Lines 3 and 14.	IC-2025-0424-0180: Line 23.
IC-2025-0424-0092: Line 18.	IC-2025-0424-0182: Line 5.
IC-2025-0424-0093: Line 6.	IC-2025-0424-0183: Line 9.
IC-2025-0424-0094: Line 5.	IC-2025-0424-0184: Lines 8 and 13.
IC-2025-0424-0095: Lines 11, 12, 16, 19, 25, 28, 32, and 35.	IC-2025-0424-0226: Line 8.
IC-2025-0424-0096: Lines 7, 11, 15, 19, 23, 27, 31, 35, and 38.	IC-2025-0424-0407: Line 8.
IC-2025-0424-0097: Lines 7, 11, 15, 16, 18, 20, 24, 28, 32 and 37.	IC-2025-0424-0422: Lines 8, 13, 14, 15, and 19-21.
IC-2025-0424-0098: Lines 7, 8, 13, 17, 18, 22, 25, 29, and 34.	IC-2025-0424-0655: Line 9.
IC-2025-0424-0099: Lines 7, 8, 13, 17, 20, 23, 26, and 29.	IC-2025-0424-0656: Lines 8, 13, and 17.
IC-2025-0424-0103: Line 17.	IC-2025-0424-0657: Line 9.
IC-2025-0424-0104: Line 6.	IC-2025-0424-0660: Line 8.
IC-2025-0424-0105: Line 5.	IC-2025-0424-0665: Lines 8, 13, and 14.
IC-2025-0424-0106: Lines 11, 12, 16, 19, 23, 26, 30, 33, and 37.	IC-2025-0424-0669: Line 8.
IC-2025-0424-0107: Lines 7, 11, 15, 19, 23, 27, 31, 34, 35 and 37.	IC-2025-0424-0696 through IC-2025-0424-1112 as reflected on the In Camera Indexes as "name or identifying information of a minor witness."

Hard copy records claimed to be exempt under §1-210(b)(3)(A), G.S., are exempt under to §1-210(b)(3)(B), G.S.

As indicated in paragraphs 30-32, of the findings in Docket #FIC 2025-0424, the following in camera records, or portions thereof, may be withheld from disclosure pursuant to the claimed exemption of §1-210(b)(3)(B), G.S., as identity of a minor witness:

IC-2025-0424-001, Side 1.	IC-2025-0424-015, Side 2.
IC-2025-0424-001, Side 2.	IC-2025-0424-018, Side A.
IC-2025-0424-002, Side 1.	IC-2025-0424-018, Side B.
IC-2025-0424-002, Side 2.	IC-2025-0424-019, Side A.
IC-2025-0424-003, Side 1.	IC-2025-0424-019, Side B.
IC-2025-0424-003, Side 2.	IC-2025-0424-020, Side 1.
IC-2025-0424-004, Side 1.	IC-2025-0424-020, Side 2.
IC-2025-0424-004, Side 2.	IC-2025-0424-021, Side 3.
IC-2025-0424-005, Side 1.	IC-2025-0424-024, Side 1.
IC-2025-0424-005, Side 2.	IC-2025-0424-024, Side 2.
IC-2025-0424-006, Side 1.	IC-2025-0424-025, Side 1.
IC-2025-0424-006, Side 2.	IC-2025-0424-025, Side 2.
IC-2025-0424-007, Side 1.	IC-2025-0424-028, Side 1.
IC-2025-0424-007, Side 2.	IC-2025-0424-029, Side 2.
IC-2025-0424-008, Side 1.	IC-2025-0424-033, Side 2.
IC-2025-0424-009 Side 1.	IC-2025-0424-035, Side 2.
IC-2025-0424-010, Side 1.	IC-2025-0424-036, Side 1.
IC-2025-0424-010, Side 2.	IC-2025-0424-037, Side 1.
IC-2025-0424-011, Side 3.	IC-2025-0424-039, Side 1.
IC-2025-0424-013, Side 1.	IC-2025-0424-040, Side 2.
IC-2025-0424-014, Side 1.	IC-2025-0424-041, Side 3.
IC-2025-0424-015, Side 1.	IC-2025-0424-042, Side A.

IC-2025-0424-042, Side B.

IC-2025-0424-057, Side 1.

IC-2025-0424-042, Side 3.

IC-2025-0424-057, Side 2.

IC-2025-0424-043, Side 4.

IC-2025-0424-058, Side 1.

IC-2025-0424-044, Side 5.

IC-2025-0424-058, Side 2.

IC-2025-0424-044, Side 6.

IC-2025-0424-060, Side A.

IC-2025-0424-045, Side 1.

IC-2025-0424-060, Side B.

IC-2025-0424-045, Side 2.

IC-2025-0424-062, Side A.

IC-2025-0424-046, Side 4.

IC-2025-0424-062, Side B.

IC-2025-0424-047, Side 1.

IC-2025-0424-063, Side B.

IC-2025-0424-047, Side 2.

IC-2025-0424-065, Side A.

IC-2025-0424-048, Side 1.

IC-2025-0424-066, Side A.

IC-2025-0424-048, Side 2.

IC-2025-0424-066, Side B.

IC-2025-0424-049, Side 1.

IC-2025-0424-069, Side A.

IC-2025-0424-049, Side 2.

IC-2025-0424-070, Side A.

IC-2025-0424-050, Side 1.

IC-2025-0424-071, Side A.

IC-2025-0424-050, Side 2.

IC-2025-0424-071, Side B.

IC-2025-0424-051, Side 2.

IC-2025-0424-072, Side A.

IC-2025-0424-052, Side 1.

IC-2025-0424-055, Side 1.

IC-2025-0424-055, Side 2.

The paper records claimed to be exempt under §1-210(b)(3)(A), G.S., are found to be exempt pursuant to §1-210(b)(3)(B), G.S., and may also be withheld.

APPENDIX B

As indicated in paragraph 33-35, of the findings in Docket #FIC 2025-0424, the following in camera records, or portions thereof, may be withheld from disclosure pursuant to §1-210(b)(3)(E), G.S., as investigatory techniques not otherwise known:

IC-2025-0424-0001: Line 29.

IC-2025-0424-0010: Lines 18, 20, 22, and 27.

IC-2025-0424-0058: Lines 23, 34, and 45.

IC-2025-0424-0059: Lines 3 and 23.

IC-2025-0424-0185: Lines 10-13.

IC-2025-0424-0187: Lines 10-13.

IC-2025-0424-0190: Lines 7-10.

IC-2025-0424- 0220: Line 31.

IC-2025-0424-0222: Line 9.

IC-2025-0424-0223: Lines 6, 11-12, 14, and 15.

IC-2025-0424-0224: Lines 1-2.

IC-2025-0424-0225: Line 1.

IC-2025-0424-0226: Line 16.

IC-2025-0424-0422: Lines 14-16.

IC-2025-0424-0659: Line 9.

IC-2025-0424-0660: Line 16.

IC-2025-0424-0661: Line 9.

IC-2025-0424-0680: Lines 14-16.

APPENDIX C

As indicated in paragraphs 36-39, of the findings in Docket #FIC 2025-0424, the following in camera records, or portions thereof, may not be withheld from disclosure pursuant to §1-210(b)(3)(A), G.S., as witnesses not otherwise known:

IC-2025-0424-001 Side 1, Time Stamps:
4:30-4:30, 4:37-4:38, 4:38-4:40, 4:50-4:50,
and 5:14-5:14.

IC-2025-0424-001 Side 2, Time Stamps:
14:30-14:30, 14:34-14:34, and 15:03-15:03.

IC-2025-0424-003 Side 1, Time Stamps:
00:26-00:27, 00:27-00:30, 00:33-00:37, and
00:42-00:43.

IC-2025-0424-003 Side 2, Time Stamps:
13:37-13:27, 15:31-15:31, and 20:57-20:57.

IC-2025-0424-004 Side 2, Time Stamps:
07:13-07:14, 09:11-09:11, 09:25-09:25, and
14:28-14:29.

IC-2025-0424-005 Side 1, Time Stamps:
06:50-06:50, 06:51-06:51, 08:09-08:10,
11:11-11:12, 11:15-11:15, 11:16-11:17,
18:47-18:47, 19:04-19:04, 20:26-20:26,
20:30-20:31, 20:33-20:33, 20:38-20:38,
21:59-22:00, 22:05-22:05, 22:07-22:08,
26:30-26:30, 28:53-28:53, 29:00-29:00,
29:03-29:03, 29:04-29:04, 29:20-29:20,
30:12-30:12, and 30:32-30:32.

IC-2025-0424-005 Side 2, Time Stamps:
10:22-10:22, 10:22-10:23, 10:26-10:27,
10:28-10:28, 17:02-17:03, 19:43-19:44,
28:45-28:46, 29:47-29:47, and 31:46-31:46.

IC-2025-0424-006 Side 1, Time Stamps:
18:06-18:06, 18:07-18:07, 37:52-37:53, and
38:09-38:12.

IC-2025-0424-006 Side 2, Time Stamps:
00:45-00:45, 03:43-03:44, 04:31-04:31,
10:00-10:01, 10:07-10:07, 10:12-10:13,

10:18-10:19, 10:45-10:45, 21:43-21:43,
21:44-21:44, and 21:44-21:44.

IC-2025-0424-007, Side 1, Time Stamps:
12:35-12:36, and 18:52-18:52.

IC-2025-0424-008, Side 1, Time Stamp:
40:46-40:46.

IC-2025-0424-010, Side 1, Time Stamp:
07:32-07:32.

IC-2025-0424-013, Side 1, Time Stamps:
00:42-00:44, 00:50-00:50, and 00:51-00:51.

IC-2025-0424-014, Side 1, Time Stamps:
00:41-00:41, 05:00-05:01, 07:29-07:30, and
09:50-09:50.

IC-2025-0424-018, Side A, Time Stamp:
06:32-06:32.

IC-2025-0424-019, Side A, Time Stamps:
07:29-07:30, 07:37-07:37, 08:11-08:11,
11:24-11:25, 13:22-13:22, 14:35-14:35,
14:37-14:37, 14:38-14:39, 14:52-14:52,
14:54-14:54, 15:04-15:04, 15:05-15:05,
15:11-15:12, 15:21-15:21, and 15:37-15:37.

IC-2025-0424-019, Side B, Time Stamp:
03:22-03:22.

IC-2025-0424-020, Side 1, Time Stamps:
02:07-02:07, 05:31-05:31, 09:24-09:24,
09:52-09:52, 09:55-09:55, 20:43-20:44,
20:45-20:45, 25:02-25:02, and 28:37-28:37.

IC-2025-0424-021, Side 3, Time Stamps:
00:19-00:20, 01:14-01:15, 04:54-04:54, and
04:55-04:55.

IC-2025-0424-024, Side 1, Time Stamps:
07:04-07:05, and 07:10-07:11.

IC-2025-0424-024, Side 2, Time Stamps:
18:35-18:36, 18:36-18:37, 22:02-22:02,
22:02-22:03, and 22:03-22:04.

IC-2025-0424-028, Side 1, Time Stamps:
16:33-16:33, 16:38-16:38, 16:39-16:39,
16:47-16:47, 16:48-16:48, 16:52-16:52,
16:54-16:57, and 17:05-17:05.

IC-2025-0424-033, Side 2, Time Stamps:
08:52-08:52, 08:53-08:53, 09:00-09:00,
09:01-09:01, 10:19-10:20, 12:58-12:58,
13:23-13:23, 13:53-13:53, and 28:51-28:52.

IC-2025-0424-036, Side 1, Time Stamps:
13:40-13:40, and 15:15-15:15.

IC-2025-0424-037, Side 1, Time Stamps:
12:31-12:32, 12:48-12:48, and 20:53-20:53.

IC-2025-0424-039, Side 1, Time Stamps:
06:20-06:21, 06:33-06:33, 08:34-08:34,
20:30-20:30, 21:02-21:02, 22:17-22:18, and
22:29-22:29.

IC-2025-0424-041, Side 3, Time Stamps:
08:18-08:18, and 08:43-08:43.

IC-2025-0424-042, Side A, Time Stamps:
00:09-00:09, 00:11-00:12, 06:31-06:31, and
07:01-07:03.

IC-2025-0424-044, Side 6, Time Stamps:
21:37-21:37, 21:40-21:40, and 21:45-21:45.

IC-2025-0424-045, Side 1, Time Stamps:
15:51-15:51, and 17:32-17:32.

IC-2025-0424-045, Side 2, Time Stamps:
12:37-12:37, and 12:39-12:39.

IC-2025-0424-046, Side 4, Time Stamps:
08:12-08:12, 10:48-10:48, 10:50-10:50,
10:51-10:51, 15:14-15:14, and 15:15-15:19.

IC-2025-0424-047, Side 1, Time Stamps:
00:24-00:25, 02:39-02:39, 05:28-05:28,
06:38-06:38, 06:42-06:42, 06:54-06:54,
07:07-07:07, 07:14-07:15, 07:17-07:17,
07:18-07:18, 07:19-07:19, 07:20-07:21,
07:32-07:32, 07:41-07:41, 07:44-07:44,
07:56-07:56, 08:00-08:01, 08:01-08:01,
08:07-08:07, 08:09-08:09, 08:13-08:14,
08:15-08:15, 08:17-08:17, 08:44-08:44,
09:14-09:15, 09:15-09:15, 09:39-09:40,
09:42-09:42, 09:43-09:43, 09:47-09:47,
09:49-09:50, 09:52-09:53, 09:55-09:55,
09:57-09:57, 10:03-10:03, 10:04-10:04,
10:09-10:09, 10:11-10:11, 10:12-10:12,
10:14-10:14, 10:16-10:16, 10:26-10:27,
10:30-10:30, 10:37-10:37, 10:43-10:44,
10:44-10:45, 10:48-10:48, 10:48-10:49,
10:55-10:55, 10:59-11:00, 11:01-11:02,
11:22-11:22, 12:36-12:36, 12:42-12:42,
12:47-12:47, 12:51-12:51, 15:33-15:33,
16:00-16:01, 16:14-16:15, 16:15-16:15,
16:17-16:18, 16:18-16:18, 19:42-19:42,
19:45-19:45, 19:53-19:53, 19:57-19:57,
20:12-20:12, 23:14-23:14, 23:27-23:28,
23:46-23:46, 24:48-24:48, 24:50-24:50,
25:21-25:21, and 26:17-26:17.

IC-2025-0424-047, Side 2, Time Stamps:
00:30-00:30, 00:45-00:45, 01:53-01:54,
11:23-11:24, 12:50-12:50, 13:13-13:13,
13:27-13:27, 15:30-15:31, 17:03-17:04,
22:59-22:59, and 23:22-23:23.

IC-2025-0424-048, Side 1, Time Stamps:
01:49-01:50, 01:50-01:51, 01:51-01:52,
01:53-01:54, 05:26-05:26, 09:16-09:16,
16:17-16:17, and 16:18-16:18.

IC-2025-0424-048, Side 2, Time Stamps:
09:06-09:06, 13:37-13:38, 13:55-13:56,
13:58-13:58, and 14:02-14:03.

IC-2025-0424-049, Side 1, Time Stamps:
00:17-00:18, and 08:42-08:42.

IC-2025-0424-049, Side 2, Time Stamps:
11:31-11:31, 11:54-11:54, and 11:54-11:54.

IC-2025-0424-050, Side 1, Time Stamps:
00:17-00:17, 00:18-00:18, 00:34-00:35,
14:10-14:11, 14:13-14:13, and 42:21-42:22.

IC-2025-0424-050, Side 2, Time Stamps:
03:47-03:38, 06:14-06:14, and 07:25-07:26.

IC-2025-0424-055, Side 1, Time Stamps:
00:15-00:15, 08:40-8:40, 08:42-08:42, and
08:44-08:44.

IC-2025-0424-055, Side 2, Time Stamp:
13:57-13:57.

IC-2025-0424-057, Side 1, Time Stamps:
00:11-00:11, 00:12-00:12, 03:11-03:12, and
21:39-21:29.

IC-2025-0424-058, Side 1, Time Stamps:
04:11-04:12, 05:15-05:15, 07:00-07:00,
07:14-07:15, 07:15-07:15, 08:10-08:10,
08:15-08:15, 08:22-08:23, 10:54-10:54,
10:56-10:57, and 11:41-11:41.

IC-2025-0424-060, Side A, Time Stamps:
00:11-00:11, 00:12-00:13, 00:16-00:17,
00:20-00:20, 01:00-01:00, 01:15-01:15,
01:45-01:46, 01:47-01:47, and 03:32-03:32.

IC-2025-0424-060, Side B, Time Stamps:
03:23-03:23, 03:30-03:30, 09:45-09:45,
12:59-13:00, 19:44-19:44, 19:46-19:47, and
19:49-19:49.

IC-2025-0424-062, Side A, Time Stamps:
01:04-01:05, 01:05-01:05, 06:19-06:19,
06:19-06:19, 06:20-06:21, 06:24-06:26,
06:29-06:30, 06:32-06:33, 06:54-06:54,
07:19-07:19, and 08:02-08:02.

IC-2025-0424-063, Side B, Time Stamp:
01:08-01:08.

IC-2025-0424-065, Side A, Time Stamps:
01:11-01:12, 01:50-01:51, and 24:41-24:42.

IC-2025-0424-066, Side A, Time Stamp:
13:20-13:20.

IC-2025-0424-069, Side A, Time Stamps:
00:44-00:44, 00:56-00:56, 00:56-00:57,
00:58-00:58, 01:03-01:03, 01:03-01:04,
01:05-01:05, 01:05-01:06, 01:07-01:07, and
01:08-01:08.

IC-2025-0424-071, Side A, Time Stamps:
00:28-00:28, 11:46-11:46, 12:37-12:37,
12:37-12:38, 13:09-13:09, 18:16-18:16,
20:21-20:22, 21:28-21:28; 21:29-21:29,
21:31-21:31, 21:32-21:32, 21:33-21:33,
23:48-23:48, 24:21-24:21, 24:22-24:22, and
24:56-24:56.

APPENDIX D

As indicated in paragraphs 40-46, of the findings in Docket #FIC 2025-0424, the following in camera records, or portions thereof, may be withheld as exempt pursuant to §54-102j, G.S.

IC-2025-0424-0164, line 6.	IC-2025-0424-0379, line 6.
IC-2025-0424-0169, line 6.	IC-2025-0424-0397, line 8.
IC-2025-0424-0171, line 6.	IC-2025-0424-0399, line 8.
IC-2025-0424-0175, line 6.	IC-2025-0424-0400, line 8.
IC-2025-0424-0177, line 8.	IC-2025-0424-0403, line 8.
IC-2025-0424-0181, line 8.	IC-2025-0424-0434, line 8.
IC-2025-0424-0201, line 8.	IC-2025-0424-0436, line 8.
IC-2025-0424-0203, line 8.	IC-2025-0424-0438, line 7.
IC-2025-0424-0207, line 7.	IC-2025-0424-0439, line 6.
IC-2025-0424-0208, line 6.	IC-2025-0424-0441, line 7.
IC-2025-0424-0267, line 8.	IC-2025-0424-0442, line 6.
IC-2025-0424-0268, line 8.	IC-2025-0424-0459, line 8.
IC-2025-0424-0272, line 6.	IC-2025-0424-0461, line 7.
IC-2025-0424-0277, line 8.	IC-2025-0424-0462, line 6.
IC-2025-0424-0285, line 7.	IC-2025-0424-0531, line 8.
IC-2025-0424-0289, line 7.	IC-2025-0424-0535, line 8.
IC-2025-0424-0290, line 7.	IC-2025-0424-0537, line 8.
IC-2025-0424-0316, line 8.	IC-2025-0424-0549, line 8.
IC-2025-0424-0317, line 8.	IC-2025-0424-0556, line 8.
IC-2025-0424-0318, line 8.	IC-2025-0424-0559, line 7.
IC-2025-0424-0324, line 6.	IC-2025-0424-0560, line 6.
IC-2025-0424-0329, line 7.	IC-2025-0424-0562, line 7.
IC-2025-0424-0330, line 6.	IC-2025-0424-0563, line 6.
IC-2025-0424-0332, line 7.	IC-2025-0424-0565, line 9.
IC-2025-0424-0333, line 6.	IC-2025-0424-0566, line 6.
IC-2025-0424-0344, line 7.	IC-2025-0424-0568, line 9.
IC-2025-0424-0345, line 6.	IC-2025-0424-0569, line 7.
IC-2025-0424-0348, line 7.	IC-2025-0424-0571, line 10.
IC-2025-0424-0349, line 6.	IC-2025-0424-0572, lines 7 and 10.
IC-2025-0424-0351, line 7.	IC-2025-0424-0574, line 7.
IC-2025-0424-0352, line 6.	IC-2025-0424-0575, line 6.
IC-2025-0424-0354, line 7.	IC-2025-0424-0577, line 7.
IC-2025-0424-0355, line 6.	IC-2025-0424-0578, line 6.
IC-2025-0424-0357, line 7.	IC-2025-0424-0580, line 7.
IC-2025-0424-0358, line 6.	IC-2025-0424-0581, line 6.
IC-2025-0424-0360, line 7.	IC-2025-0424-0583, line 7.
IC-2025-0424-0361, line 6.	IC-2025-0424-0584, line 6.
IC-2025-0424-0375, line 7.	IC-2025-0424-0586, line 7.
IC-2025-0424-0376, line 6.	IC-2025-0424-0587, line 6.
IC-2025-0424-0378, line 7.	IC-2025-0424-0589, line 7.

IC-2025-0424-0590, line 6.
IC-2025-0424-0592, line 7.
IC-2025-0424-0593, line 6.
IC-2025-0424-0595, line 7.

IC-2025-0424-0596, line 6.
IC-2025-0424-0598, line 7.
IC-2025-0424-0599, line 6.
IC-2025-0424-0602, line 7.

APPENDIX E

As indicated in paragraphs 60-62, of the findings in Docket #FIC 2025-0424, the following in camera records, or portions thereof, may be withheld as nonresponsive to the complainant's request:

IC-2025-0424-0173: Lines 6-13.

IC-2025-0424-0179: Lines 7-14.

IC-2025-0424-0180: Lines 14-22.

IC-2025-0424-0195: Lines 6-13.

IC-2025-0424-0210: Lines 7-13, 15-21, and 23-25.

IC-2025-0424-0212: Lines 1-28.

IC-2025-0424-0213: Lines 10-18, 22-30, and 34-36.

IC-2025-0424-0218: Lines 10-17.

IC-2025-0424-0219: Lines 1-40.

IC-2025-0424-0220: Lines 16-30.

IC-2025-0424-0221: Lines 1-28.

IC-2025-0424-0539: Lines 14, 16, 19, 22, 25, and 31.