

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT

In the Matter of a Complaint by

FINAL DECISION

William J. Watson III,

Complainant

against

Docket # FIC 2025-0544

Executive Director, State of Connecticut,
Judicial Branch, Court Support Services
Division; and State of Connecticut, Judicial
Branch, Court Support Services Division,

Respondents

May 27, 2026

The above-captioned matter was scheduled to be heard as a contested case on March 23, 2026, at which time the respondents appeared, but the complainant did not appear to prosecute the case.

The hearing officer notes that Attorney Jillian Greenbacker, counsel for the respondents, appeared at the hearing with two witnesses. Specifically, it is noted that Attorney Greenbacker appeared with the Deputy Director of Adult Probation and the Deputy Director of Information Technology for the State of Connecticut, Judicial Branch, Court Support Services Division. Attorney Greenbacker represented that each witness interrupted their work schedule and traveled from a different part of the state to appear for the 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.
2. The complainant is admonished for his failure to appear at the hearing in this matter, which failure resulted in a waste of scarce state resources.

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


Molly Steffes
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:

WILLIAM J. WATSON III, 16 Brooke Meadow Road, Berlin, CT 06037

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, STATE OF CONNECTICUT, JUDICIAL BRANCH, COURT SUPPORT SERVICES DIVISION; AND STATE OF CONNECTICUT, JUDICIAL BRANCH, COURT SUPPORT SERVICES DIVISION, c/o Attorney Jillian Greenbacker, Connecticut Judicial Branch, 100 Washington Street, 3rd floor, Hartford, CT 06106



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