

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT

In the Matter of a Complaint by)	
Theodore Augustynowski,)	Report of Hearing Officer
Complainant)	
)	Docket #FIC77-3
against)	
)	January 31, 1977
Town of Griswold and Superin-)	
intendent of Schools of the Town)	
of Griswold,)	
Respondents)	

The above captioned matter was heard as a contested case on January 27, 1977, at which time the complainant and the respondents appeared and presented testimony, exhibits and argument on the complaint, and at which time the Connecticut Education Association moved to intervene in the proceedings. The motion to intervene having been granted, the intervenor was permitted to make argument and file memoranda of law.

After consideration of the entire record, the following facts are found:

1. The respondents are public agencies as defined in §1-18a(a), General Statutes.

2. By letter dated December 20, 1976, the complainant requested certain information, or access to inspect the records in the custody or possession of the respondent superintendent which contained such information, concerning a teacher employed by the Griswold school system.

3. By letter dated January 4, 1977, the respondent superintendent denied such access except to the extent that the requested information is contained in the Annual Reports of the Town of Griswold and the minutes of the meetings of the board of education of the town of Griswold.


4. It is found that the respondent superintendent has not denied access to the complainant to the reports and minutes described in paragraph 3 above, and stands ready to provide access to such records in accordance with the provisions of P.A. 75-342.

5. It is further found that, except as noted in paragraph 3 above, the information requested is contained solely in documents which properly form part of the personnel file of the subject teacher and the disclosure of which would constitute an invasion of the personal privacy of such teacher.

6. It is therefore concluded that disclosure of the requested information is not required under §1-19(b)(1), General Statutes and the documents containing such information are not public records under §1-19(c), General Statutes.

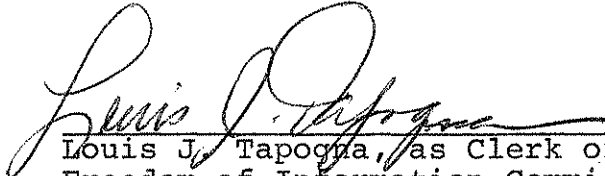
The following order by the Commission is hereby recommended on the basis of the record concerning the above captioned complaint:

1. The complaint is hereby dismissed.



Commissioner Helen Loy
as Hearing Officer

Approved by order of the Freedom of Information Commission on
February 9, 1977.



Louis J. Tapogna, as Clerk of the
Freedom of Information Commission