## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT

In the Matter of a Complaint by Dennis E. Beaulieu

FINAL DECISION

Complainant

Docket #FIC 84-115

against

December 3, 1984

East Hartford Police Department

Respondent

The above captioned matter was heard as a contested case on October 29, 1984 at which time the complainant and the respondent appeared, stipulated as to certain facts and presented testimony, exhibits and argument on the complaint.

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

- 1. The respondent is a public agency within the meaning of §1-18a(a), G.S.
- 2. By letter dated May 29, 1984, the complainant requested of the respondent copies of documents in the complainant's employment application file, including the background investigation conducted by the respondent.
- 3. The respondent failed to comply with the complainant's request for records within four business days and is therefore deemed to have denied the request, pursuant to §1-21i(a), G.S.
- 4. By letter filed with the Commission on July 2, 1984, the complainant appealed the denial of his request.
- 5. By letter dated July 23, 1984, the respondent sent the complainant all of the documents in his employment application file.
- 6. It is concluded that the July 23, 1984 compliance with the complainant's request was not prompt and therefore violated §1-15, G.S.

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

l. Henceforth the respondent shall act in strict compliance with  $\S1-15$ . G.S., by fulfilling requests for copies of public records promptly.

Approved by order of the Freedom of Information Commission at its regular meeting of November 28, 1984.

Mary Jo Jolicoeur

Clerk of the Commission