TO: Freedom of Information Commission

FROM: Thomas A. Hennick

RE: Minutes of the Commission's regular meeting of July 25, 2018

A regular meeting of the Freedom of Information Commission was held on July 25, 2018, in the Freedom of Information Hearing Room, 18-20 Trinity Street, Hartford, Connecticut. The meeting convened at 2:12 p.m. with the following Commissioners present:

Commissioner Owen P. Eagan, presiding Commissioner Jay Shaw (participated via speakerphone) Commissioner Jonathan J. Einhorn Commissioner Matthew Streeter Commissioner Christopher P. Hankins Commissioner Lenny T. Winkler Commissioner Ryan P. Barry

Also present were staff members, Mary E. Schwind, Victor R. Perpetua, Lisa F. Siegel, Kathleen K. Ross, Tracie C. Brown, Paula S. Pearlman, Cindy Cannata, and Thomas A. Hennick.

The Commissioners unanimously voted to approve the Commission's regular meeting minutes of July 11, 2018.

Those in attendance were informed that the Commission does not ordinarily record the remarks made at its meetings, but will do so on request.

Docket #FIC 2017-0524

William McKinney v. Chief, Police Department, City of New Haven; and Police Department, City of New Haven

Attorney Kathleen Foster appeared on behalf of the respondents. The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were recorded digitally.

Docket #FIC 2017-0553Jose Ayuso v. Scott Semple, Commissioner, State of
Connecticut, Department of Correction; and State of
Connecticut, Department of Correction

The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report.

The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report.

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<u>Docket #FIC 2017-0479</u> Carolyn Sires v. Executive Director, Housing Authority, Town of Branford; and Housing Authority, Town of Branford

Carolyn Sires appeared on her own behalf. Attorney Daniel Burns appeared on behalf of the respondents. The Commissioners voted, 6-0, to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. Commissioner Shaw did not participate in this matter. The proceedings were recorded digitally.

Docket #FIC 2017-0615

Jay Hardison v. Chairman, Board of Education, Darien Public Schools; and Board of Education, Darien Public Schools

Jay Hardison appeared on his own behalf. Attorney Melika Forbes appeared on behalf of the respondents. The Commissioners unanimously voted to remand the matter to the Hearing Officer for further consideration. The Commission then unanimously voted to reconsider its motion, remand the matter to the Hearing Officer for further consideration and and invite the parties to submit additional briefs by August 21, 2018. The proceedings were recorded digitally.

Docket #FIC 2017-0651

Kevin Ziegler v. Chairman, Board of Fire Commissioners, Town of Newington; Board of Fire Commissioners, Town of Newington; and Town of Newington

The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report.

Docket #FIC 2017-0660

Nancy Burton v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Agriculture; and State of Connecticut, Department of Agriculture

The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report.

Docket #FIC 2017-0711

Ohan Karagozian v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Public Health; and State of Connecticut, Department of Public Health

The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report.

Docket #FIC 2017-0752

John Tartaglia and PR Arrow LLC v. Town Manager, Town of Wethersfield; and Town of Wethersfield

The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report.

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Docket #FIC 2018-0077

Christopher Peak And New Haven Independent v. Chairman, Finance and Operations Committee, Board of Education, New Haven Public Schools; Finance and Operations Committee, Board of Education, New Haven Public Schools; and Board of Education, New Haven Public Schools

Attorney Kathleen Foster appeared on behalf of the respondents The Commissioners voted, 5-1, to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. Commissioner Streeter voted no. Commissioner Shaw did not participate in this matter.

Docket #FIC 2018-0150

Yvonne Perkins v. Chief, Police Department, City of Danbury; Police Department, City of Danbury; and City of Danbury

Yvonne Perkins appeared on her own behalf. The Commissioners voted, 6-0, to amend the Hearing Officer's Report. The Commissioners voted, 6-0, to approve the Hearing Officer's Report as amended. Commissioner Shaw did not participate in this matter. The proceedings were recorded digitally.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

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* See Attached for amendments

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AMENDMENTS

Docket #FIC 2018-0150

Yvonne Perkins v. Chief, Police Department, City of Danbury; Police Department, City of Danbury; and City of Danbury

The order in the Hearing Officer's Report is amended as follows:

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 [with prejudice].

[2. The complainant is admonished for her failure to appear at the hearing in this matter, which failure resulted in a waste of scarce state and local resources.]