

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT

In The Matter of a Complaint by

FINAL DECISION

Jermaine Cowan,

Complainant

against

Docket #FIC 2017-0586

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

Respondents

May 9, 2018

The above-captioned matter was heard as a contested case on March 20, 2018, at which time the complainant and the respondents appeared, stipulated to certain facts and presented testimony, exhibits and argument on the complaint. For purposes of hearing, the above-captioned matter was consolidated with Docket #FIC 2017-0629; Jermaine Cowan v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Division of Scientific Services; and State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Division of Scientific Services.

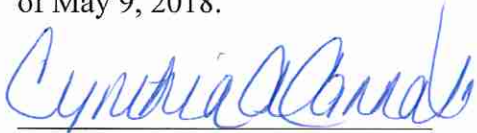
The complainant, who is incarcerated, appeared via teleconference, pursuant to the January 2004 memorandum of understanding between the Commission and the Department of Correction. See Docket No. CV 03-0826293, Anthony Sinchak v. FOIC et al, Superior Court, J.D. of Hartford at Hartford, Corrected Order dated January 27, 2004 (Sheldon, J.).

During the hearing in this matter, the complainant and the respondents reached an agreement wherein the complainant narrowed his request to “bench notes” and electro-thermographs related to a 2014 arrest and investigation identified in the complainant’s original request and the respondents agreed to provide the complainant with up to 30 pages of records responsive to that narrowed request, free of charge and within two weeks from the date of the hearing. The complainant stated that he wished to withdraw his complaint. The Commission takes administrative notice of the complainant’s statement of withdrawal.

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

1. Based on the withdrawal of the complaint, the case is hereby dismissed.

Approved by Order of the Freedom of Information Commission at its regular meeting of May 9, 2018.



Cynthia A. Cannata
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:

JERMAINE COWAN, #270696, MacDougall-Waker Correctional Institution, 1153 East Street South, Suffield, CT 06080

COMMISSIONER, STATE OF CONNECTICUT, DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND PUBLIC PROTECTION; AND STATE OF CONNECTICUT, DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND PUBLIC PROTECTION, c/o Assistant Attorney General Terrence M. O'Neill, Office of the Attorney General, 110 Sherman Street, Hartford, CT 06105



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