

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT

In the Matter of a Complaint by

FINAL DECISION

Jared Millbrandt and Office of the
Public Defender,

Complainants

against

Docket #FIC 2018-0438

Office of the City Attorney;
City of Bridgeport; and
City of Bridgeport,

Respondents

November 7, 2018

The above-captioned matter was scheduled to be heard as a contested case on October 16, 2018 at 1:00 P.M, at which time the respondents appeared through counsel, but the complainants did not appear to prosecute the case.

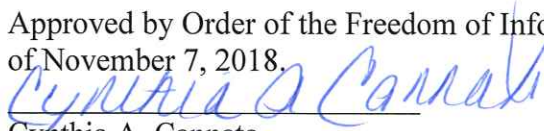
The hearing officer notes that Attorney Michael Jankovsky represented that, prior to the hearing, he had spent approximately an hour reviewing the file to prepare for the hearing and that another attorney in his office had consulted with the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection with regard to the requested records. Attorney Jankovsky further represented that he traveled one hour from Bridgeport to arrive to the scheduled hearing on time, only to have a four minute hearing and travel back to Bridgeport.

It is difficult to understand why, with all of the available means of technology, the complainants failed to notify the Commission that the hearing in this matter was not necessary.

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.
2. The complainants are admonished for their failure to appear at the hearing in this matter, which failure resulted in a waste of scarce local and state resources.

Approved by Order of the Freedom of Information Commission at its special meeting
of November 7, 2018.

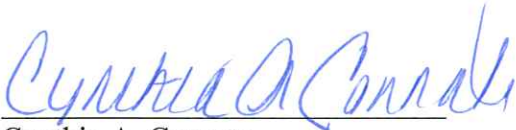

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PURSUANT TO SECTION 4-180(c), G.S., THE FOLLOWING ARE THE NAMES OF EACH PARTY AND THE MOST RECENT MAILING ADDRESS, PROVIDED TO THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COMMISSION, OF THE PARTIES OR THEIR AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE.

THE PARTIES TO THIS CONTESTED CASE ARE:

JARED MILLBRANDT AND OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER, 1061 Main Street, 2nd floor, Bridgeport, CT 06604

OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY, CITY OF BRIDGEPORT; AND CITY OF BRIDGEPORT, c/o Attorney Michael Jankovsky, City of Bridgeport, Office of the City Attorney, 999 Broad Street, Bridgeport, CT 06604



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