

TO: Freedom of Information Commission

FROM: Russell Blair

RE: Minutes of the Commission's regular meeting of July 9, 2025

A regular meeting of the Freedom of Information Commission was held on July 9, 2025. The Commission meeting of July 9, 2025 was conducted in person. The meeting convened at 2:02 p.m. with the following Commissioners present:

Commissioner Owen P. Eagan, presiding
Commissioner Jonathan J. Einhorn
Commissioner Kate Farrish
Commissioner Stephen Fuzesi Jr.
Commissioner Judith Ganswindt (participated via speakerphone)
Commissioner Christopher P. Hankins
Commissioner Thomas A. Hennick

Also present were staff members Colleen M. Murphy, Paula S. Pearlman, Danielle L. McGee, Mary-Kate Smith, Nicholas A. Smarra, Marybeth G. Sullivan, Paul V. Arce, Jennifer Mayo and Russell Blair.

The Commissioners voted 6-0 to approve the Commission's regular meeting minutes of June 25, 2025. Commissioner Hennick abstained from the vote.

Those in attendance were informed that the July 9, 2025 regular meeting of the Commission was being recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2024-0424](#) Cordaryl Silva v. Angel Quiros, Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Correction; and State of Connecticut, Department of Correction

Cordaryl Silva appeared on his own behalf. Attorney Michael Kochol appeared on behalf of the respondents. The Commissioners unanimously voted to amend the Hearing Officer's Report. The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report as amended.* The proceedings were digitally recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2024-0429](#) Brian McAllister v. Roderick Porter, Chief, Police Department, City of Bridgeport; Police Department, City of Bridgeport; and City of Bridgeport

The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were digitally recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2024-0817](#)

Richard Quint v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Correction; and State of Connecticut, Department of Correction

Richard Quint appeared on his own behalf. Attorney Michael Kochol appeared on behalf of the respondents. The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were digitally recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2023-0468](#)

Paul Testa v. Executive Director, State of Connecticut, Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities; and State of Connecticut, Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities

The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were digitally recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2024-0398](#)

Paul Manocchio v. Director of Public Records, State of Connecticut, University of Connecticut; and State of Connecticut, University of Connecticut

The complainant did not appear. Attorney Nathan LaVallee appeared on behalf of the respondents. The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were digitally recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2024-0405](#)

Kenneth Willis v. President, Sunset Acres Association of Bashan Lake, Incorporated

The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were digitally recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2024-0406](#)

Kenneth Willis v. President, Sunset Acres Association of Bashan Lake, Incorporated

The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were digitally recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2024-0418](#)

Yulia Rubin v. Director of Health, Health Department, City of Milford; Health Department, City of Milford; and City of Milford

The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were digitally recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2024-0425](#)

Marc N. Needelman v. Anna Posniak, Town Clerk, Town of Bloomfield; Town Manager, Town of Bloomfield; and Town of Bloomfield

Marc N. Needelman appeared on his own behalf. Attorney Joseph Burns appeared on behalf of the respondents. Town Manager Alvin Schwapp appeared as well and presented to the Commission. The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were digitally recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2024-0426](#) William Marsh v. First Selectman, Board of Selectman, Town of Windsor Locks; Board of Selectmen, Town of Windsor Locks; and Town of Windsor Locks

The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were digitally recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2024-0442](#) Joe Quaranta v. Mayor, Town of New Milford; and Town of New Milford

The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were digitally recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2024-0451](#) Ian Thomas v. Chair, Town Council, Town of Groton; Town Council, Town of Groton; and Town of Groton

Ian Thomas appeared on his own behalf. Attorney Eric Callahan appeared on behalf of the respondents. The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were digitally recorded. Commissioner Einhorn was not present for the vote.

Executive Director Colleen M. Murphy reported that the Commission had filed an appeal in the Appellate Court of the Superior Court decision dated March 27, 2025, in State Department of Education, et al. v. Freedom of Information Commission, HHB-CV-23-6080532-S.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:52 p.m.

/s/ Russell Blair
Russell Blair

AMENDMENTS*

Docket #FIC 2024-0424 Cordaryl Silva v. Angel Quiros, Commissioner, State of
Connecticut, Department of Correction; and State of
Connecticut, Department of Correction

Footnote 1 of the Hearing Officer's Report is amended as follows:

¹The undersigned hearing officer's **FEBRUARY 20** [May 9], 2025 order permitted the parties to submit after-filed exhibits no later than March 14, 2025. Because the complainant filed Exhibit B 56 days later than the deadline established in the **FEBRUARY 20** [May 9], 2025 order, and the exhibit did not contain evidence relevant to the timely filing of the complaint, the hearing officer declined to admit it as a full exhibit.