

TO: Freedom of Information Commission

FROM: Russell Blair

RE: Minutes of the Commission's regular meeting of September 10, 2025

A regular meeting of the Freedom of Information Commission was held on September 10, 2025. The Commission meeting of September 10, 2025 was conducted in person. The meeting convened at 2:06 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 Aigné Goldsby Wells
Commissioner Thomas A. Hennick
Commissioner Christopher P. Hankins
Commissioner Matthew Streeter

Also present were staff members Colleen M. Murphy, Paula S. Pearlman, Valicia D. Harmon, C. Zack Hyde, Nicholas A. Smarra, Marybeth G. Sullivan, Paul V. Arce, Jennifer Mayo and Russell Blair.

The Commissioners voted 8-0 to approve the Commission's regular meeting minutes of August 27, 2025. Commissioner Hankins abstained from the vote.

Those in attendance were informed that the September 10, 2025 regular meeting of the Commission was being recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2024-0624](#) Ahmaad Lane v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut,
Department of Correction; and State of Connecticut,
Department of Correction

Ahmaad Lane appeared on his own behalf. The respondents did not appear. The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were digitally recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2024-0655](#) Jan Gawlik v. Angel Quiros, Commissioner, State of
Connecticut, Department of Correction; and State of
Connecticut, Department of Correction

Jan Gawlik appeared on his own behalf. The respondents did not appear. The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were digitally recorded.

Docket #FIC 2020-0503 Maria Naughton v. Superintendent of Schools, New Canaan Public Schools; Chair, Board of Education, New Canaan Public Schools; and New Canaan Public Schools

The Commissioners took no action. The matter was marked off prior to the meeting.

[Docket #FIC 2021-0051](#) Alec Ferretti v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Public Health; and State of Connecticut, Department of Public Health

Attorney Alexa Millinger appeared on behalf of the complainant. Assistant Attorney General Elizabeth Bannon appeared on behalf of the respondents. The Commissioners voted 8-0 to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. Commissioner Farrish recused herself from the matter. The proceedings were digitally recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2024-0560](#) Faith Murray v. Comptroller, State of Connecticut, Office of the State Comptroller; and State of Connecticut, Office of the State Comptroller

Faith Murray appeared on her own behalf. Assistant Attorney General Benjamin Abrams 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 2024-0578](#) Tim Howard v. Town Manager, Town of Hebron; and Town of Hebron

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

[Docket #FIC 2024-0589](#) English Harbour Capital Partners LLC v. Chairman, Zoning Commission, Town of East Lyme; Zoning Commission, Town of East Lyme; and Town of East Lyme

Attorney Paul Geraghty appeared on behalf of the complainant. Attorney Marjorie Richardson appeared on behalf of the respondents. The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were digitally recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2024-0590](#) Dr. Jada Waters v. Superintendent of Schools, Middletown Public Schools; and Middletown Public Schools

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 2024-0591](#)

David C. Wold v. Commissioner, Department of Human Services, Town of Greenwich; Department of Human Services; and Town of Greenwich

David C. Wold appeared on his own behalf. Attorney Abby Wadler appeared on behalf of the respondents. The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were digitally recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2024-0594](#)

Robert A. Cushman v. Ronnell Higgins, Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection; and State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection

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

[Docket #FIC 2024-0645](#)

Dr. Linda Dalessio v. Republican Registrar of Voters, Town of Hamden; Democratic Registrar of Voters, Town of Hamden; and Town of Hamden

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

[Docket #FIC 2025-0200](#)

Nicolina Cortesiano v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Transportation; and State of Connecticut, Department of Transportation

Nicolina Cortesiano appeared on her own behalf. Attorney Sharon Peters and certified legal intern Molly Turban appeared on behalf of the respondents. The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were digitally recorded.

The Commissioners unanimously voted to deny the respondents' Motion to Stay Order dated August 25, 2025 and received by the Commission on August 25, 2025, filed by Respondents in *Adam Osmond v. Daniel O'Keefe, Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Economic and Community Development; and State of Connecticut, Department of Economic and Community Development*, Docket #FIC 2024-0517.

Executive Director Colleen M. Murphy reported that the Commission's annual conference is scheduled for October 3, 2025 at The Riverhouse in Haddam.

Executive Director Colleen M. Murphy and Commissioner Farrish reported that a luncheon to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Commission and the Freedom of Information Act would be held on October 8, 2025.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:01 p.m.

/s/ *Russell Blair*

Russell Blair

AMENDMENTS*

Docket #FIC 2024-0560 Faith Murray v. Comptroller, State of Connecticut, Office of the
State Comptroller; and State of Connecticut, Office of the State
Comptroller

The Hearing Officer's Report is amended as follows:

Appendix A, Page 13, final paragraph

IC-2024-0560-1058 (lines 1 after the word "Complaint", 3 after the word "the" and up to the word before "signed", **5 AFTER THE WORD "AND" – 6**, 7 after the word "Complaint", 8 after the word "Complaint" – 10),

Appendix C, Page 27, paragraph 19

IC-2024-0560-736[8] (lines 2-4 and 7),

Appendix C, Page 29, paragraph 4

IC-2024-0560-1058 (lines 1 up to the word "Complaint", 2-3 excluding after the word "the" and up to the word before "signed", 4-**5 UP TO THE WORD "AND"**[6], 7 up to the word "Complaint", and 8 up to the word "Complaint"),

Docket #FIC 2024-0590 Dr. Jada Waters v. Superintendent of Schools, Middletown
Public Schools; and Middletown Public Schools

Paragraph 1 of the order in the Hearing Officer's Report is amended as follows:

1. Forthwith, the respondents shall provide the complainant, free of charge, with unredacted, electronic copies of the in camera records described in paragraphs 17, 31, 37, and **54**[50], above.