

TO: Freedom of Information Commission  
FROM: Jennifer Mayo  
RE: Minutes of the Commission's regular meeting of June 25, 2025

A regular meeting of the Freedom of Information Commission was held on June 25, 2025. The Commission meeting of June 25, 2025 was conducted in person. The meeting convened at 2:01 p.m. with the following Commissioners present:

Commissioner Owen P. Eagan, presiding  
Commissioner Jonathan J. Einhorn  
Commissioner Kate Farrish  
Commissioner Aigné Goldsby Wells  
Commissioner Matthew Streeter  
Commissioner Christopher P. Hankins  
Commissioner Stephen Fuzesi Jr. (participated via speakerphone)

Also present were staff members Colleen M. Murphy, Valicia D. Harmon, Danielle L. McGee, C. Zack Hyde, Mary-Kate Smith, Nicholas A. Smarra, Marybeth G. Sullivan, Paul V. Arce, Max McCann, and Jennifer Mayo.

The Commissioners voted 5-0 to approve the Commission's regular meeting minutes of June 11, 2025. Commissioners Hankins and Fuzesi abstained.

Those in attendance were informed that the June 25, 2025 regular meeting of the Commission was being recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2024-0396](#) Tyrell Brown v. Matthew Marino, Chief, Police Department, City of New Britain; Police Department, City of New Britain; and City of New Britain

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

[Docket #FIC 2024-0438](#) Miguel Gonzalez 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 2023-0558](#) Jacqueline Rabe Thomas, Investigative Reporter v. Secretary, State of Connecticut, Office of Policy and Management; and State of Connecticut, Office of Policy and Management

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

[Docket #FIC 2024-0383](#) Chandler Holcomb v. Executive Director, State of Connecticut, Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities; and State of Connecticut, Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities

Attorney Bryan L. LeClerc appeared on behalf of the complainant. Attorney Renee Vanden Wall Bake appeared on behalf of the respondents. The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were digitally recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2024-0384](#) Susan Huwer v. Chairman, Board of Education, New Fairfield Public Schools; and Board of Education, New Fairfield Public Schools

Susan Huwer appeared on her own behalf. Attorney Sarah Gleason appeared on behalf of the respondents. The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were digitally recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2024-0388](#) Neil Hornish v. First Selectman, Board of Selectmen, Town of Suffield; Board of Selectmen, Town of Suffield; and Town of Suffield

Neil Hornish appeared on his own behalf. Attorney Derek E. Donnelly appeared on behalf of the respondents. The Commissioners voted 6-1 to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. Commissioner Streeter voted against. The proceedings were digitally recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2024-0394](#) Charles Setaro v. Tax Collector, Department of Finance, City of Danbury; Department of Finance, City of Danbury; and City of Danbury

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

[Docket #FIC 2024-0399](#) Richard Kosinski v. Director, State of Connecticut, Connecticut State Board of Mediation & Arbitration; and State of Connecticut, Connecticut State Board of Mediation & Arbitration

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

[Docket #FIC 2024-0401](#) J. Patten Brown, III v. 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 2024-0402](#) James Irwin v. Chair, Kent Memorial Library Commission, Town of Suffield; Kent Memorial Library Commission, Town of Suffield; and Town of Suffield

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

[Docket #FIC 2024-0409](#) Andy Thibault, of the CT Examiner; and Francisco Uranga, of the CT Examiner v. Martha Shoemaker, First Selectwoman, Board of Selectmen, Town of Old Lyme; Board of Selectmen, Town of Old Lyme; and Town of Old Lyme

Francisco Uranga appeared on his own behalf. Attorney Kristi D. Kelly appeared on behalf of the respondents. The Commissioners voted 1-6 on whether to amend the Hearing Officer's Report. Commissioner Einhorn voted in favor. The amendment therefore failed. The Commissioners voted 5-2 to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. Commissioners Streeter and Einhorn voted against. The proceedings were digitally recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2024-0413](#) Maria Pereira v. Eroll Skyers, Director, Office of Labor Relations, City of Bridgeport; Office of Labor Relations, City of Bridgeport; Jeannette Herron, Co-chairperson, City Council Contracts Committee, City of Bridgeport; City Council Contracts Committee, 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 2024-0427](#) Lisa Sims v. Office of the Corporation Counsel, City of New Haven; and City of New Haven

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 2024-0820](#) Mark Wozar v. Chief, Police Department, Town of West Hartford; Police Department, Town of West Hartford; and Town of West Hartford

Mark Wozar appeared on his own behalf. Attorney Andrew J. Glass appeared on behalf of the respondents. The Commissioners voted 5-2 to remand the matter to the hearing officer to reopen the matter. Commissioners Streeter and Hankins voted against.

The Commissioners voted 6-0 to add the following as a new agenda item: Update on Status of Superior Court Appeal in State Department of Education, et al. v. Freedom of Information Commission, HHB-CV-23-6080532-S including the Commission's pending Motion for Remand; and Consideration of the complainant's withdrawal of the underlying complaint in Solow-Neiderman v. State Department of Education, et al., Docket #FIC 2022-0255 (June 10, 2025) and the Court's limited Remand with respect thereto. Commissioner Einhorn had left the meeting and therefore did not vote. Attorney Valicia D. Harmon and Executive Director Colleen Murphy reported on the update. The Commissioners voted 6-0 to authorize the Commission Staff to file a Motion for Action with the Superior Court on the Commission's Motion for Remand and to file an appeal with the Appellate Court, as necessary. Commissioner Einhorn had left the meeting and therefore did not vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:14 p.m.

/s/ Jennifer Mayo  
Jennifer Mayo

### AMENDMENTS\*

Docket #FIC 2024-0427 Lisa Sims v. Office of the Corporation Counsel, City of New Haven; and City of New Haven

Paragraph 28 of the Hearing Officer's Report is amended as follows:

28. It is further found that, on July 7, 2024, and in response to the complainant's [fourth] **THIRD** request for a status update, the Respondent Office emailed Respondent Fire Chief Alston to determine whether any of the requested emails had been gathered. It is found that Respondent Fire Chief Alston replied, "I do not see anyone from IT in this message thread...so I am including [IT] in [this reply] ...to ascertain the status of this request."