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David DesRoches and the Darien Times,  
Complainant(s)  
against

Notice of Meeting

Docket #FIC 2013-717

Superintendent of Schools, Darien Public  
Schools; and Darien Public Schools,  
Respondent(s)

July 8, 2014

### Transmittal of Proposed Final Decision

In accordance with Section 4-179 of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Freedom of Information Commission hereby transmits to you the proposed finding and decision prepared by the hearing officer in the above-captioned matter.

This will notify you that the Commission will consider this matter for disposition at its meeting which will be held in the Freedom of Information Commission Hearing Room, 18-20 Trinity Street, 1st floor, Hartford, Connecticut, at **2 p.m. on Wednesday, August 13, 2014**. At that time and place you will be allowed to offer oral argument concerning this proposed finding and order. Oral argument shall be limited to ten (10) minutes. For good cause shown, however, the Commission may increase the period of time for argument. A request for additional time must be made in writing and should be filed with the Commission **ON OR BEFORE August 1, 2014**. Such request **MUST BE (1) copied to all parties, or if the parties are represented, to such representatives, and (2) include a notation indicating such notice to all parties or their representatives.**

Although a brief or memorandum of law is not required, if you decide to submit such a document, an **original and fourteen (14) copies** must be filed **ON OR BEFORE August 1, 2014**. **PLEASE NOTE: Any correspondence, brief or memorandum directed to the Commissioners by any party or representative of any party MUST BE (1) copied to all parties, or if the parties are represented, to such representatives, (2) include a notation indicating such notice to all parties or their representatives and (3) be limited to argument. NO NEW EVIDENCE MAY BE SUBMITTED.**

If you have already filed a brief or memorandum with the hearing officer and wish to have that document distributed to each member of the Commission, it is requested that **fourteen (14) copies** be filed **ON OR BEFORE August 1, 2014**, and that **notice be given to all parties or if the parties are represented, to their representatives, that such previously filed document is being submitted to the Commissioners for review.**

By Order of the Freedom of  
Information Commission

Wendy Paradis  
Acting Clerk of the Commission

Notice to: David DesRoches  
Jessica Stein Soufer, Esq.

2014-07-08/FIC# 2013-717/Trans/wrbp/CAL/TAH

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT

In the Matter of a Complaint by

Report of Hearing Officer

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Complainants

against

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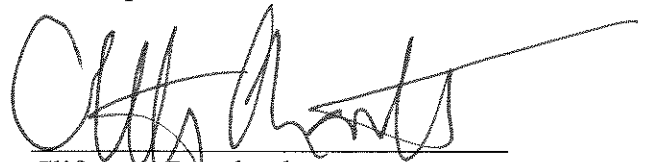
July 7, 2014

The above-captioned matter was scheduled for hearing as a contested case at 9:30 a.m. on June 30, 2014, at which time the complainants failed to appear. The respondents appeared and presented sworn testimony through witnesses, exhibits and argument on the complaint.

The complainants had telephoned the Commission at approximately 9:05 a.m. on June 30, 2014, orally requesting another continuance during their conversation with the clerk. (The complainants had previously been granted a continuance of a hearing scheduled for June 2, 2014.) The Commission has not received any further communication from the complainants since immediately prior to the hearing on June 30, 2014.

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 for failure to prosecute.



Clifton A. Leonhardt  
as Hearing Officer