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Bettina Drew,
Complainant(s)
against

Notice of Meeting

Docket #FIC 2015-318

Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of
Emergency Services and Public Protection; and State of
Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and
Public Protection,

Respondent(s)

December 8, 2015

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, January 13, 2016**. 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 December 30, 2015**. 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 December 30, 2015**. **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 **fifteen (15) copies** be filed **ON OR BEFORE December 30, 2015**, 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

W. Paradis
Acting Clerk of the Commission

Notice to: Bettina Drew
Assistant Attorney General Stephen Sarnoski

2015-12-08/FIC# 2015-318/Trans/wrbp/FJB/VDH/TCB

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT

In the Matter of a Complaint by

Report of Hearing Officer

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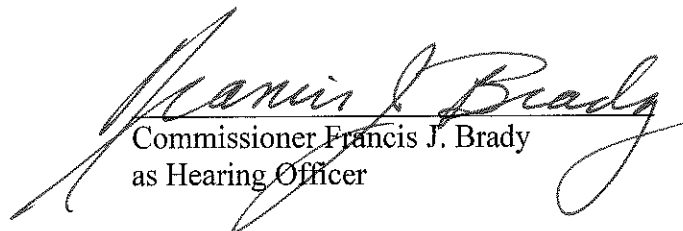
September 24, 2015

The above-captioned matter was scheduled to be heard as a contested case on September 15, 2015 at 11:00 A.M, at which time Assistant Attorney General Stephen R. Sarnoski appeared on behalf of the respondents, but the complainant did not appear to prosecute the case.

The hearing officer notes that Attorney Sarnoski was present at the hearing with a witness from the respondents' Legal Affairs Unit. Attorney Sarnoski represented for the record that, prior to the scheduled hearing, he had spent considerable time reviewing the administrative record, preparing an exhibit, and working with his witnesses. Attorney Sarnoski submitted the exhibit that he had prepared into evidence. The hearing officer notes that the exhibit is a compilation of multiple communications between the respondents and the complainant and, further, that six pieces of correspondence are actually the respondents' cover letters enclosing public records for the complainant.

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.


Commissioner Francis J. Brady
as Hearing Officer