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Susan Skipp,  
Complainant(s)  
against

Notice of Meeting

Docket #FIC 2015-795

Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of  
Social Services, Bureau of Child Enforcement; and State  
of Connecticut, Department of Social Services, Bureau of  
Child Enforcement,

Respondent(s)

May 3, 2016

### 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, May 25, 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 May 13, 2016**. 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 May 13, 2016**. **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 May 13, 2016**, 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: Susan Skipp  
Attorney Tanya Feliciano DeMattia

2016-05-03/FIC# 2015-795/Trans/wrbp/VDH//TAH

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT

In the Matter of a Complaint by

Report of Hearing Officer

Susan Skipp,

Complainant

against

Docket #FIC 2015-795

Commissioner, State of Connecticut,  
Department of Social Services, Bureau  
of Child Support Enforcement; and  
State of Connecticut, Department of  
Social Services, Bureau of Child  
Support Enforcement,

Respondents

April 6, 2016

The above-captioned matter was scheduled to be heard as a contested case on April 5, 2016 at 2:30 P.M., at which time the respondents and their counsel appeared, but the complainant did not appear to prosecute the case.

The hearing officer notes that Assistant Attorney General Tanya Feliciano DeMattia, counsel for the respondents, appeared at the hearing with her witness, Edgar Young, Program Manager for the Department of Social Services, Bureau of Child Support Enforcement. It is further noted that both Attorney DeMattia and Mr. Young represented that, prior to the scheduled hearing, they had spent considerable time gathering and reviewing the records requested by the complainant. Attorney DeMattia also represented that the respondent agency's responsive records were provided to the complainant on January 6, 2016. Finally, Attorney DeMattia represented that, since January 6, 2016, she has attempted to contact the complainant several times to confirm that this matter may be considered closed, but she had not received a response from 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.
2. The complainant is admonished for her failure to appear at the hearing in this matter, which failure resulted in a waste of scarce state resources.



Valicia Dee Harmon  
as Hearing Officer