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Albert Farah,

Complainant(s)

against

Right to Know

Notice of Meeting

Docket #FIC 2015-548

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

Respondent(s)

June 13, 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, lst floor, Hartford, Connecticut, at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, July 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 July 1, 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 <u>original and fourteen (14) copies</u> must be filed *ON OR BEFORE July 1, 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 <u>fifteen (15)</u> <u>copies</u> be filed *ON OR BEFORE July 1, 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: Albert Farah

Assistant Attorney General James W. Caley.

FIC# 2015-548/Trans/wrbp/TCB//VDH/2016-06-13

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT

In The Matter of a Complaint by

Report of Hearing Officer

Albert Farah,

Complainant

against

Docket #FIC 2015-548

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

Respondents

June 9, 2016

The above-captioned matter was scheduled to be heard as a contested case on March 30, 2016, at 9:30 a.m., at which time the respondents appeared with a witness. The complainant failed to appear.

The complainant, who is incarcerated, was to appear via teleconference, pursuant to the January 2004 memorandum of understanding between the Commission and the Department of Correction. See Docket No. CV 03-0826293, Anthony Sinchak v. FOIC et al, Superior Court, J.D. of Hartford at Hartford, Corrected Order dated January 27, 2004 (Sheldon, J.). However, when the hearing officer telephoned the correctional facility at approximately 9:30 a.m. and again at 9:50 a.m., the hearing officer was informed that while the complainant was aware of the date and time of the hearing in this mater, he left his unit at approximately 8:45 a.m. for the medical unit and had not returned to his unit to take the call and participate in the hearing.

The following order by the Commission is hereby recommended on the basis of the record concerning the above-captioned complaint:

1. The complaint is dismissed for failure to prosecute.

Attorney Tracie C. Brown as Hearing Officer

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