

TO: Freedom of Information Commission  
FROM: Thomas A. Hennick  
RE: Minutes of the Commission's regular meeting of October 23, 2019

A regular meeting of the Freedom of Information Commission was held on October 23, 2019, in the Freedom of Information Hearing Room, 18-20 Trinity Street, Hartford, Connecticut. The meeting convened at 2:17 p.m. with the following Commissioners present:

Commissioner Owen P. Eagan, presiding  
Commissioner Jay Shaw (participated via speakerphone)  
Commissioner Jonathan J. Einhorn  
Commissioner Matthew Streeter  
Commissioner Christopher P. Hankins  
Commissioner Lenny T. Winkler

Also present were staff members, Colleen M. Murphy, Mary E. Schwind, Victor R. Perpetua, Valicia D. Harmon, Kathleen K. Ross, Paula S. Pearlman, Matthew D. Reed, Danielle L. McGee, Cindy Cannata, and Thomas A. Hennick.

The Commissioners voted, 5-0, to approve the Commission's regular meeting minutes of October 10, 2019. Commissioner Winkler abstained.

Those in attendance were informed that the Commission does not ordinarily record the remarks made at its meetings, but will do so on request.

[Docket #FIC 2018-0710](#)

Luis Salaman v. Rollin Cook, Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Correction; and State of Connecticut, Department of Correction

Luis Salaman participated via speakerphone. Attorney Tracie Brown appeared on behalf of the respondents. 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 recorded digitally.

[Docket #FIC 2019-0310](#)

Ian Cooke v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Correction; and State of Connecticut, Department of Correction

Ian Cooke participated via speakerphone. Attorney Tracie Brown appeared on behalf of the respondents. 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 recorded digitally.

[Docket #FIC 2018-0714](#)

Gerry Daley v. Chairperson, Subcommittee, Common Council, City of Middletown; and Subcommittee, Common Council, City of Middletown

The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report.

[Docket #FIC 2018-0754](#)

Ryan Graham v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Administrative Services; State of Connecticut, Department of Administrative Services; 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.

[Docket #FIC 2019-0110](#)

Robert Scott v. Treasurer, State of Connecticut, Office of the Treasurer; and State of Connecticut, Office of the Treasurer

The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report.

[Docket #FIC 2019-0223](#)

Timothy Cantafio v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Transportation; and State of Connecticut, Department of Transportation

The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report.

[Docket #FIC 2019-0228](#)

Mark Daricek 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.

[Docket #FIC 2019-0380](#)

Jack Rua v. Administrator, State of Connecticut,  
Connecticut Teachers' Retirement Board; and State  
of Connecticut, Connecticut Teachers' Retirement  
Board

Jack Rua appeared on his own behalf. Attorney Maria Rodriguez appeared on behalf of the respondents. The Commissioners unanimously voted to approve the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were recorded digitally.

[Docket #FIC 2019-0434](#)

Frank Napolitano v. Human Resources Director, City  
of East Hartford; and City of East Hartford

The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report.

[Docket #FIC 2019-0446](#)

Robert Vanacore v. Human Resources Director, City  
of East Hartford; and City of East Hartford

The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report.

The Commissioners unanimously voted to add to the agenda a discussion about seeking a Superior Court remand to the commission in FICAP 2019-009. The matter is an appeal by the state Department of Correction from a commission final decision in #FIC 2019-0295, Noah Snyder vs, Scott Semple, Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Correction and State of Connecticut Department of Correction. The Commissioners unanimously voted to authorize staff to seek the remand.

Colleen M. Murphy reported that commissioners would be asked to review proposed changes to commission regulations, which have been under review for several months. Once approved by the Commission, those proposals would be brought to the legislature for approval.

Valicia D. Harmon and Mary Schwind reported on pending appeals.

Colleen M. Murphy reported on legislation.

Colleen M. Murphy reported that the process for filling the vacant paralegal position and the vacant Human Resources Specialist position was continuing.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:08 p.m.

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### AMENDMENTS

[Docket #FIC 2018-0710](#)

Luis Salaman v. Rollin Cook, Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Correction; and State of Connecticut, Department of Correction

The Hearing Officer's Report is amended as follows:

Add a footnote at the end of paragraph 9, as follows:

**1. The Commission again notes that a modification of the respondents' FOI request process may be in order due to the number of occasions that the respondents do not receive requests from incarcerated persons. Docket # FIC 2018-0597; Ira Alston v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Correction; and State of Connecticut, Department of Correction (July 10, 2019).**

Thereafter, renumber current footnotes 1-8 as 2-9, respectively.

[Docket #FIC 2019-0310](#)

Ian Cooke v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Correction; and State of Connecticut, Department of Correction

Add a footnote at the end of paragraph 4, as follows:

**1. The Commission again notes that a modification of the respondents' FOI request process may be in order due to the number of occasions that the respondents do not receive requests from incarcerated persons. Docket # FIC 2018-0597; Ira Alston v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Correction; and State of Connecticut, Department of Correction (July 10, 2019).**