

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT

In the Matter of a Complaint by
Robert H. Boone and The Journal
Inquirer,

Complainants

Report of Hearing Officer

against

Docket #FIC79-97

Police Commission of The Town of
East Windsor; John E. Rajala,
Chairman; Reginald E. Bancroft, Jr.;
Frank Kirchhof; Earl F. Larson; and
Elizabeth M. Roman,

April 9, 1980

Respondents

The above captioned matter is being disposed of without the necessity of a contested hearing by virtue of an agreement of facts entered into between the parties which appears of record.

After consideration of the entire record, the following facts are found:

1. The respondents are public agencies as defined by §1-18a(a), G.S.

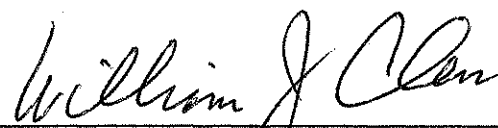
2. By letter of complaint dated April 26, 1979 and filed with this Commission on May 1, 1979, the complainants alleged that the respondent commission illegally met to discuss police "private duty" pay, and budget matters, in closed session on April 24, 1979.

3. By letter dated September 26, 1979, the respondent commission admitted that the matter of the pay rate of employees for private duty work was illegally discussed in executive session, as alleged. In this regard, such item resulted in a motion being made, in open session, increasing the private duty rate from \$6.00 to \$8.50 per hour.

4. By same letter, the respondent commission further represented that it will abide by the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act.

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

1. Henceforth, the respondent commission shall limit its discussions in executive session to matters defined as proper under §1-18a(e), G.S. In this regard, the respondent commission shall hold all of its discussions concerning the pay rates of employees at meetings open to the public, as required by §1-21, G.S.



Commissioner William J. Clew
as Hearing Officer

Approved by order of the Freedom of Information Commission on May 14, 1980.


Leslie Ann McGuire
Clerk of the Commission