STATE OF CONNECTICUT STATE ELECTIONS ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION

In the Matter of a Complaint by Bernadette Allingham, Bridgewater File No. 2009-093

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

The Complainant brought this Complaint pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes § 9-7b and alleged that potentially unlawful activity occurred surrounding the September 15, 2009 Democratic primary in the Town of Bridgewater.

After an investigation of the Complaint, the Commission makes the following findings and conclusions:

- 1. Complainant, the Republican Registrar of Voters in the town of Bridgewater at all times relevant to the instant Complaint, made various allegations related to the conduct of the 2009 Democratic primary held in the Town of Bridgewater on September 15, 2009 at a single polling place. These allegations concern the potential activity of moderator Ken Esposito, Democratic Registrar of Voters Judy Sullivan and voter Madeline Gale.
- 2. Subsequent to the filing of the instant matter, the Complainant requested that the allegations concerning Mr. Esposito and Ms. Gale be removed from her Complaint, leaving only Ms. Sullivan as a potential respondent.
- 3. However, subsequent to the Complainant's aforementioned request and through to the present date, Complainant has been unresponsive to Commission staff's investigatory requests in the instant matter. Commission staff has made multiple attempts to reach the Complainant, to no avail.
- 4. The Commission concludes that without the Complainant's participation in the matter, the evidence to date is insufficient to support her allegations. Accordingly, this matter should be dismissed, without prejudice. The Complainant may re-file the matter and the Commission may consider her allegations at that time.

ORDER

The following Order is recommended on the basis of the aforementioned findings:

Dismissed without prejudice.

Adopted this 14th day of December, 2011 at Hartford, Connecticut.

Stephen F. Cashman, Chairperson By Order of the Commission