



OPEN MEETING LAW COMPLAINT FORM

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Please note that all fields are required unless otherwise noted.

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK
NEW BEDFORD, MA
2023 JUL 28 AM 11:03
CITY CLERK

Your Contact Information:

First Name: MARK Last Name: COSTO

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City: NEW BEDFORD State: MA Zip Code: 02740

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Organization or Media Affiliation (if any): N/A

Are you filing the complaint in your capacity as an individual, representative of an organization, or media?

(For statistical purposes only)

Individual Organization Media

Public Body that is the subject of this complaint:

City/Town County Regional/District State

Name of Public Body (including city/town, county or region, if applicable): LICENSING BOARD, CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

Specific person(s), if any, you allege committed the violation: CHAIRMAN EDMUND CRAIG JR

Date of alleged violation: JULY 24, 2023

Description of alleged violation:

Describe the alleged violation that this complaint is about. If you believe the alleged violation was intentional, please say so and include the reasons supporting your belief.

Note: This text field has a maximum of 3000 characters.

AT LICENSING BOARD MEETING ON JULY 24 2023 CHAIRMAN CRAIG WAS BRINGING PUBLIC COMMENT TO A CLOSE, THE CHAIR WAS NOTIFIED THERE WERE STILL RESIDENTS STILL WAITING TO SPEAK. WHEN THE CHAIR REPLIED 'DOES ANYONE HAVE ANYTHING NEW TO SAY', THE CHAIR EFFECTIVELY ABRIDGED MY RIGHT TO FREE SPEECH ACCORDING TO ARTICLE LXXVII OF THE DECLARATION OF THE RIGHTS OF THE INHABITANTS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

What action do you want the public body to take in response to your complaint?

Note: This text field has a maximum of 500 characters.

DECLARE MEETING UNCONSTITUTIONAL, HOLD NEW HEARING AND ALLOW EVERY RESIDENT TO SPEAK FREELY.

Review, sign, and submit your complaint

I. Disclosure of Your Complaint.

Public Record. Under most circumstances, your complaint, and any documents submitted with your complaint, is considered a public record and will be available to any member of the public upon request.

Publication to Website. As part of the Open Data Initiative, the AGO will publish to its website certain information regarding your complaint, including your name and the name of the public body. The AGO will not publish your contact information.

II. Consulting With a Private Attorney.

The AGO cannot give you legal advice and is not able to be your private attorney, but represents the public interest. If you have any questions concerning your individual legal rights or responsibilities you should contact a private attorney.

III. Submit Your Complaint to the Public Body.

The complaint must be filed first with the public body. If you have any questions, please contact the Division of Open Government by calling (617) 963-2540 or by email to openmeeting@state.ma.us.

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read and understood the provisions above and certify that the information I have provided is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signed:  _____

Date: 7-28-23 _____

For Use By Public Body

Date Received by Public Body:

For Use By AGO

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