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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Union Presidents

**FROM:** Joan M. Ellis, Administrator, Freedom of Information Office

**DATE:** September 25, 2008

**RE:** Disclosure of Staff residential addresses to public/inmates

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This time, two years ago (September 27, 2006), the Freedom of Information Commission attempted to issue a declaratory ruling that would eliminate Connecticut General Statute 1-217. The statute allows staff to request the nondisclosure of their residential addresses to the public. Because of the outpouring of members from law enforcement, corrections and judicial the decision was tabled.

During the 2007-2008 legislative session a bill was proposed by the FOI Commission to amend that exemption thus eliminate the exemption and the right of our staff to withhold their addresses from disclosure. It failed.

On October 14, 2008 the Freedom of Information Commission will hear case FIC # 2008-412: Peter Sachs v. Assessor, Town of North Stonington which addresses this issue.

The Department of Correction in conjunction with Department of Public Safety and other criminal justice agencies has filed a motion to intervene on this case which brings me to the point of this memo. Once again a request is going out to all the unions that represent the staff within the Connecticut Department of Correction. The "show of force" in 2006 tabled the decision. Your presence is once again called upon to show your objection. This decision can effect your union members.

You may contact this office with any questions.

Freedom of Information Commission  
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October 14, 2008 9:30 a.m.