STATE OF CONNECTICUT CLAIMS COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE 450 COLUMBUS BOULEVARD HARTFORD, CT 06103

TO: GENERAL ASSEMBLY

- FROM: ROBERT F. SHEA, JR. Robert F. Shea, Jr.
- DATE: JANUARY 3, 2025

RE: REPORT SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES SECTIONS 54-102uu, 4-158, 4-159 and 4-159a

I. <u>Connecticut General Statutes Section 54-102uu – Compensation for Wrongful Incarceration</u>

On January 2, 2025, the Claims Commissioner's Office issued 8 wrongful incarceration awards which require review by the General Assembly during the 2025 legislative session pursuant to subsection 54-102uu(d)(1).

- 1. Claim of Marquis Jackson, Claim No. 25262 -- award: \$5,312,921
- 2. Claim of Richard Lapointe, Claim No. 24537 -- award: \$5,875,000
- **3.** Claim of Andre Dawson, Claim No. 26922 award: \$1,107,356.76
- 4. Claim of Edwin Glass, Claim No. 26858 award: \$120,000
- 5. Claim of Adam Carmon, Claim No. 27025 award: \$7,900,000
- 6. Claim of George Gould, Claim No. 27181 award: \$6,700,000

- 7. Claim of Vernon Horn, Claim No. 26017 award: \$4,817,954
- 8. Claim of Stefon Morant, Claim No. 26501 award: \$5,843,985

II. <u>Connecticut General Statutes Subdivision 4-158(a)(3)</u>

1. Claim of Heather Robillard, Claim No. 26061. The Claims Commissioner's Office respectfully recommends to the General Assembly the payment of this just claim in the amount of \$50,000.

III. Connecticut General Statutes Subsection 4-158(f)

For Calendar Year 2024, we are submitting the following information:

- ➤ 4-158(f)(1): The total number of new claims filed: 321
- ▶ 4-158(f)(2): The total number of claims disposed of: 630
- ▶ 4-158(f)(3): The total number of claims that were dismissed: 470
 - (a) Withdrawn: 86
 - (b) Failure to prosecute: 216
 - (c) Absent Claimant's objection to State's Motion to Dismiss: 6
 - (d) Failure to state a claim: 3
 - (e) Subject matter jurisdiction: 159

- (f) Claimant misconduct: 0
- (g) Failure to comply with scheduling order: 0
- ▶ 4-158(f)(4): The total number of Claims that were Denied: 40
- > 4-158(f)(5): The total number of awards: 93 (does not include the 8 wrongful incarceration awards described in Section I, above).

*** Please see the descriptions of these 93 awards in <u>Table 1</u>, below.

▶ 4-158(f)(6): The total number claimants who were authorized to sue the State: 26

TABLE 1 – Subdivision 4-158(f)(5) -- 93 awards issued in 2024 (does not include the 8 wrongful incarceration awards described in Section I, above)

Search Case Disposit	Search Case Disposition Disposition Date=01/01/2024 to 12/31/2024, Disposition Type in [AWDOPSA, AWDORD]					
Case Number	Case Name	Disposition Date	Disposition Type	Award Amount		
23619	Roger Brown	12/27/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	7500.00		
24542	Michael Nowacki	12/23/2024	Award ordered	35000.00		
27263	Arbella Mutual Insurance Company - Their Insured: Igor Pylypenko	12/18/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	2847.59		
27207	Linda Kelderhouse	12/18/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	1804.70		
27218	Jennifer Hanley	12/12/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	180.00		
26721	Tracey Johnson	12/06/2024	Award ordered	17000.00		
27238	Joyce Petrella	12/06/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	1504.32		
27120	Jill and Cecil Adams	12/09/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	1533.77		
26809	Catherine B. Johnson and Martin Johnson (to be re-opened)	12/05/2024	Award ordered	11764.73		
25246	Marion Syms	12/05/2024	Award ordered	3500.00		
26575	Maria Elena Stebbins	12/05/2024	Award ordered	2873.53		
26058	Tyler Miner	11/27/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	25000.00		
26853	Jason Dumas	11/27/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	3483.35		
26578	Darryl Crenshaw (to be re-opened)	11/24/2024	Award ordered	484.40		
27070	Cody Albert and Patricia Quinn	11/15/2024	Award ordered	35000.00		

27106	Amy Gallagher-Conway & Ryan Conway	11/11/2024	Award ordered	35000.00
27103	Southington Care Center Josephine Trovato	11/07/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	17228.40
27069	Jennifer Dunn and Shawn White	11/05/2024	Award ordered	35000.00
26511	Donna Scarpo	11/06/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	10000.00
27144	Ava Santacroce	11/06/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	5758.07
26451	We Care Services, LLC	11/01/2024	Award ordered	35000.00
26927	Estate of Ryan Marzi, Administrator Richard Marzi	10/25/2024	Award ordered	20000.00
27112	Autumn Lake Healthcare at West Hartford	10/21/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	11860.00
26951	The Maddox Law Firm, Inc. Jessica Kordas	10/08/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	1525.49
27117	Hebrew Center for Health and Rehab Anthony Martinelli	10/07/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	26733.26
27131	Mariam Kakabadze	10/07/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	7900.00
27102	Tasha Ross	10/07/2024	Award ordered	500.00
26867	Samuel Bruder	10/02/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	500.00
27179	Gracen VanderSwaagh (vehicle owned by Shannon VanderSwaagh)	09/30/2024	Award ordered	6453.33
27145	Culinary Concerts Inc.	09/30/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	288.10
25303	Pasquale & Donna Ferrigno	09/30/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	25000.00
27081	Rebecca Hait	09/25/2024	Award ordered	442.65
27086	April Olsen	09/19/2024	Award ordered	1056.94
27176	Ashley Marinaro	09/11/2024	Award ordered	900.00
25550	Kimberly DeMayo	09/10/2024	Award ordered	20000.00
23112	Helen Jurgielewicz, Estate of Stanley Jurgielewicz	09/09/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	15000.00
27002	Cynthia Robin	08/27/2024	Award ordered	1402.76

27039	Matthew Amaral	08/29/2024	Award ordered	10371.46
26412	Ramon Ambert	08/30/2024	Award ordered	1078.99
26602	Carson Associates, LLC Richard Nasi	08/28/2024	Award ordered	3500.00
27127	Venice Montanaro	08/23/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	7000.00
25335	Shawn Marshall	08/21/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	7432.63
27018	Hanna McIntyre	08/21/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	485.00
24698	Timothy Wilfong	08/22/2024	Award ordered	7500.00
26935	J'Quan Towns	07/03/2024	Award ordered	4983.48
26902	Leilim Chang-Salazar	07/01/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	340.32
23828	Mikey Pineda	06/27/2024	Award ordered	4523.08
25528	Heriberto Arce, ppa, Eryka Arce	07/01/2024	Award ordered	15000.00
27047	Samuel Fish	06/24/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	400.00
25653	Stacia Parkes	06/20/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	20000.00
27016	Nathaniel Calloway	06/18/2024	Award ordered	300.00
26864	Kim Ouellette	06/19/2024	Award ordered	1134.70
26969	Mark Chicano	06/11/2024	Award ordered	400.00

26537	Ida Pisani	06/10/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	15000.00
27034	Anthony Bowden	06/12/2024	Award ordered	1467.89
27068	Arianna Lackhan	06/11/2024	Award ordered	202.00
27003	Delores McNair	06/10/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	7282.98
27074	John Balducci	06/10/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	4727.87
27116	Harriott Home Health Services Kwasheba Harriott	06/10/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	22800.00
26045	Kris Marsan	06/05/2024	Award ordered	29493.01
26177	Luis Ortiz	05/22/2024	Award ordered	6000.00
26252	Joe Baltas	05/20/2024	Award ordered	294.83
26189	Wesley Dupuis	05/20/2024	Award ordered	7500.00
26877	Theodore F. Marolda and Sue Ann Marolda, as Trustees to the Theodore F. Marolda Living Trust and the Sue Ann Marolda Living Trust	05/07/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	6315.65
27082	Julie Abbott	05/07/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	340.21
26946	Tomas Rivera	05/07/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	256.00
27058	Chandrasekhar V. Nori on behalf of Tarun S. Nori	04/24/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	1068.25
27013	Tracey Niksa	04/18/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	1000.00
27072	Lisa Cianchetti	04/23/2024	Award ordered	422.00
26926	Dominic Alverez aka Kevin Savage	04/16/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	150.00
26811	Elizabeth Borden	04/16/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	4122.10
27032	Paul Potamianos	04/11/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	948.05
27022	Connecticut State Check Cashing Service, Inc Payee: Markax Dortch	04/18/2024	Award ordered	431.53
27066	Karen Mendenhall	04/09/2024	Award ordered	3532.46
26998	John Plaster	04/02/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	989.06
26714	Emanuel Ferreira	03/27/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	833.00
26862	Lisa Ostrowski	03/06/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	3400.00

27009	Eduardo Vargas	03/01/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	500.00
26713	Terrance Police (General Assembly approved in 2024)	02/27/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	35000.00
26904	Jeffrey Moore	02/20/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	478.58
26600	Charles Staples, III (General Assembly approved in 2024)	02/22/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	1550000.00
26940	Jennifer Casola	02/13/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	483.63
26715	Carol Dyer	02/09/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	2354.00
26775	Eva Santiago	01/31/2024	Award ordered	11610.00
26803	Greg Gallup	02/02/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	1961.06
26257	Ronnie Ellis (General Assembly approved in 2024)	02/02/2024	Award ordered	1310.00
26923	Charles Danyliw	01/23/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	1772.90
26863	Nancy Sarella	01/23/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	400.00
26620	Jacob Flynn	01/28/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	517.61

26757	Winsome Shawe	01/17/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	2250.00
26275	Joseph Reis	01/16/2024	Award ordered	3010.00
26072	Jonathan Walker	01/16/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	1000.00
25900	Leroy Harris (General Assembly approved in 2024)	01/12/2024	Award ordered per stipulated agreement	7500000.00

IV. <u>Connecticut General Statutes Subdivision 4-159(a)(2)</u>

We are submitting the following information pursuant to subdivision 4-159(a)(2) for the 35 claimants who have requested the General Assembly to review the Claims Commissioner's Office's decisions issued in 2024.

<u>**Table 2**</u> below lists the 35 claimants who requested that the General Assembly review the Claims Commissioner's Office's decision during the 2025 legislative session.

Search Case		Sent to GA equals 202	25						35 Results
Filed Date N	laim umber	Claim Type	State Agency		Claim Status	Filing Type	Status		Sent to GA?
05/17/2024 27	7173	Personal Injury - Negligence	Judicial	Gordon Clark	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	Yes (Exclusive)	Yes
12/11/2023 27	7046	Wrongful Death - Negligence	Correction, Department of	Katherine Ciolkosz on behalf of the decedent David Ciolkosz	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed		Yes
11/21/2023 27	7006	Wrongful Incarceration	Judicial	Esteban Hernaiz	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	Yes (Alternative)	Yes
10/30/2023 26	6976	Personal Injury - Negligence	Motor Vehicles, Department of Administrative Services, Department of	Edwin Dailey	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	Yes (Alternative)	Yes
08/19/2023 26	6927		Emergency Services and Public Protection, Department of	Estate of Ryan Marzi, Administrator Richard Marzi	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	Yes (Exclusive)	Yes
08/10/2023 20	6918	Inmate - Medical Malpractice	Correction, Department of	Fredrik Holmgren	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	Yes (Unspecified)	Yes

TABLE 2 -- the 35 claimants who requested that the General Assembly review the Claims Commissioner's Office's decision during the 2025 legislative session.

08/01/2023	26871	Inmate - Personal Injury	Correction, Department of	Fredrik Holmgren	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	Yes (Unspecified)	Yes
07/14/2023	26843	Inmate - Personal Injury	Correction, Department of	Milton Campbell	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	Yes (Unspecified)	Yes
05/31/2023	26820	Inmate - Personal Injury	Correction, Department of	Randal Licari	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	Yes (Alternative)	Yes
04/06/2023	26799	Personal Injury - Negligence	Judicial	Tiffany Alago	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	Yes (Unspecified)	Yes
10/18/2022	26689	Personal Injury - Negligence Personal Injury - Negligence	Medical Examiner, Office of the Chief Consumer Protection, Department of	Gordon Clark	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	Yes (Exclusive)	Yes
09/29/2022	26684	Personal Injury - Negligence	Children and Families, Department of	Raymond Ortiz SEALED	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	Yes (Exclusive)	Yes
08/26/2022	26675	Property Damage - Private Party	Energy and Environmental Protection, Department of	Lofts Owner, LLC c/o Yvonne Sun	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	Yes (Exclusive)	Yes
08/11/2022	26664	Personal Injury - Negligence	University of Connecticut	David Dantino	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	Yes (Unspecified)	Yes
08/01/2022	26646	Wrongful Incarceration Personal Injury - Negligence		Rupert Anthony	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	No	Yes
06/03/2022	26641	Inmate - Personal Injury	Correction, Department of	Cipriani Benedetto	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	Yes (Unspecified)	Yes
02/15/2022	26540	Personal Injury - Negligence Personal Injury - Negligence	Emergency Services and Public Protection, Department of Transportation, Department of	D'Yanna Wallace	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	Yes (Exclusive)	Yes
02/15/2022	26539	Wrongful Death - Negligence Wrongful Death - Negligence	Emergency Services and Public Protection, Department of Transportation, Department of	Attorney Peter C. Bowman Administrator for the Estate of Jayan Bryan	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	Yes (Exclusive)	Yes
01/10/2022	26528	Inmate - Personal Injury	Correction, Department of	Richard Quint	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	Yes (Alternative)	Yes
12/20/2021	26525	Inmate - Personal Injury	Correction, Department of	Jeffrey Yeaw	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	Yes (Alternative)	Yes

12/15/2021	26526	Inmate - Personal Injury	Correction, Department of	Jeffrey Yeaw	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	Yes (Alternative)	Yes
11/01/2021	26461	Wrongful Death - Negligence	University of Connecticut Health Center	Caroline Skudlarek, Executrix for the Estate of Alfons Skudlarek	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	Yes (Unspecified)	Yes
10/21/2021	26459	Inmate - Personal Injury	Correction, Department of	Hector Lopez SEALED	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	Yes (Alternative)	Yes
08/19/2021	26422	Inmate - Personal Injury	Correction, Department of	Michael Kendall	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	Yes (Alternative)	Yes
05/24/2021	26340	Inmate - Personal Injury	Correction, Department of	Sky Lorusso	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	Yes (Unspecified)	Yes
03/01/2021	26291	Inmate - Personal Injury	Correction, Department of	Steve Simpson	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	Yes (Unspecified)	Yes
01/26/2021	26235	Inmate - Medical Malpractice	Correction, Department of	Mark Despres	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	Yes (Unspecified)	Yes
01/07/2021	26228	Inmate - Personal Injury	Correction, Department of	Jose Vasquez	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	Yes (Unspecified)	Yes

09/05/2019	25772	Personal Injury - Negligence	University of Connecticut Health Center	Philip Traficanti	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	No	Yes
08/06/2019	25699	Personal Injury - Negligence	Public Health, Department of	Ammar Idlibi SEALED	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	Yes (Unspecified)	Yes
07/08/2019	25689	Personal Injury - Negligence	Children and Families, Department of	Ammar Idlibi (SEALED)	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	Yes (Unspecified)	Yes
02/21/2019	25546	Inmate - Personal Injury	Correction, Department of	Kyle Connors	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	Yes (Unspecified)	Yes
03/30/2018	25193	Personal Injury - Negligence		Sebastian Martinez	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	Yes (Unspecified)	Yes
05/22/2014	23660	Wrongful Death - Negligence	Energy and Environmental Protection, Department of	Melissa Steinhilper, Administratrix for the Estate of Amanda Monington	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	Yes (Unspecified)	Yes
3/22/22	26578	Property Damage	Correction, Department	Darryl Crenshaw	Claim Complete	Internal	Closed	Yes (Unspecified	Yes

V. <u>Connecticut General Statutes Subdivisions 4-159a(a)(1) and (2)</u>

We are submitting the following information pursuant to subdivisions 4-159a(a)(1) and (2) for 2024. The following 3 claims are 2 or more years old and need to be reviewed by the General Assembly during the 2025 legislative session. These claims have not yet been disposed of by the Claims Commissioner's Office because the Claims Commissioner's Office requires more information from the parties, and because the Claims Commissioner's Office did not request the parties for an extension of time. The Claims Commissioner's Office respectfully requests an extension of time to December 31, 2025 in which to dispose of these 3 claims. Thank you.

- 1. Claim of Ezra Benjamin, Claim No. 26628
- 2. Claim of Raikes Delacruz, Claim No. 26611
- 3. Claim of Brushaun Thompson-Baker, Claim No. 25281