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Completed by: C. Leger Date 03/18/21

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**Leger, Cheryl (BOS)**

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**From:** Google Forms <sfbdsupvrs@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 23, 2020 4:08 PM  
**To:** SOTF, (BOS)  
**Subject:** New Response Complaint Form

This message is from outside the City email system. Do not open links or attachments from untrusted sources.

Your form has a new entry.

Here are the results.

**Complaint against which  
Department or  
Commission**

?

**Name of individual  
contacted at Department  
or Commission**

Jeffrey Pierce

**Alleged Violation**

Public Meeting

**Date of public meeting (if  
checked)**

Sunday, July 19, 2020

Sunshine Ordinance  
Section:

SF Admin. Code sections 67.3(a),(d), 67.5, 67.6, 67.8.

Please describe alleged  
violation

Supervisors Ronen, Mar and Haney attended a meeting with other elected members of the DCCC to coordinate their votes in advance of an endorsement meeting on Wednesday July 22. Ronen, Mar and Haney make up a quorum of Rules Committee and GAO Committee. This meeting was not noticed or open to the public.

Date

July 23, 2020

Name

SJD Anon

Email

[sjdanon14213@gmail.com](mailto:sjdanon14213@gmail.com)

If anonymous, please let  
us know how to contact  
you. Thank you.

[sjdanon14213@gmail.com](mailto:sjdanon14213@gmail.com)

Sent via [Google Form Notifications](#)

**Sunshine Ordinance Task Force  
Complaint Summary**

File No. 20087

SJD Anonymous v. Supervisor Hillary Ronen

Date filed with SOTF: 7/23/2020

Contact information (Complainant information listed first):

Anonymous (sjdanon14213@gmail.com) (Complainant)

Amy Beinart ([amy.beinart@sfgov.org](mailto:amy.beinart@sfgov.org)); Santiago Lerma ([santiago.lerma@sfgov.org](mailto:santiago.lerma@sfgov.org)); Paul Monge ([paul.monge@sfgov.org](mailto:paul.monge@sfgov.org)) Supervisor Hillary Ronen ([hillary.ronen@sfgov.org](mailto:hillary.ronen@sfgov.org)), (Respondents)

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**File No. 20087:** Complaint filed by Anonymous against the Supervisor Hillary Ronen for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Sections 67.3(a)(d) failure to provide notice of a meeting of a policy body, 67.5 failing to allow open and public meetings, 67.6 failing to post the time and place for the meeting and 67.8. by failing to allow agenda disclosures.

**Administrative Summary if applicable:**

**Complaint Attached.**

# Complainant/Petitioner's Document Submission

## Leger, Cheryl (BOS)

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**From:** SJD Anon <sjdanon14213@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 21, 2020 9:04 AM  
**To:** SOTF, (BOS)  
**Subject:** Open Meeting Complaint against Supervisors Ronen, Mar and Haney

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To confirm my allegations, the Task Force should contact Supervisors Ronen, Mar and Haney who were obviously at the meeting. Thereafter, please take appropriate action.

## Leger, Cheryl (BOS)

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**From:** SJD Anon <sjdanon14213@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 22, 2020 10:32 AM  
**To:** SOTF, (BOS)  
**Subject:** Re: Open Meeting Complaint against Supervisors Ronen, Mar and Haney

Yes, filing anonymously.

On Tue, Jul 21, 2020 at 9:43 AM SOTF, (BOS) <[sotf@sfgov.org](mailto:sotf@sfgov.org)> wrote:

Dear Anon: Are you filing this complaint anonymously?

Cheryl Leger

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## Leger, Cheryl (BOS)

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**To:** Leger, Cheryl (BOS)  
**Subject:** Re: Open Meeting Complaint against Supervisors Ronen, Mar and Haney

Thank you. I just completed the form and am filing anonymously.

On Wed, Jul 22, 2020 at 8:35 AM Leger, Cheryl (BOS) <[cheryl.leger@sfgov.org](mailto:cheryl.leger@sfgov.org)> wrote:

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**From:** SOTF, (BOS)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 21, 2020 9:44 AM  
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**Subject:** RE: Open Meeting Complaint against Supervisors Ronen, Mar and Haney

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## Leger, Cheryl (BOS)

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**From:** SJD Anon <sjdanon14213@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 28, 2020 5:50 PM  
**To:** Leger, Cheryl (BOS)  
**Subject:** Re: Open Meeting Complaint against Supervisors Ronen, Mar and Haney

Hello Cheryl,

Can you confirm if my form was received? What are the next steps?

Thank you

On Thu, Jul 23, 2020 at 4:07 PM SJD Anon <[sidanon14213@gmail.com](mailto:sidanon14213@gmail.com)> wrote:  
I resubmitted the online form.

On Thu, Jul 23, 2020 at 9:59 AM Leger, Cheryl (BOS) <[cheryl.leger@sfgov.org](mailto:cheryl.leger@sfgov.org)> wrote:

I did not receive the Complaint Form. Can you please resubmit it? Thank you.

Cheryl Leger

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**From:** SJD Anon <[sjdanon14213@gmail.com](mailto:sjdanon14213@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 22, 2020 12:05 PM  
**To:** Leger, Cheryl (BOS) <[cheryl.leger@sfgov.org](mailto:cheryl.leger@sfgov.org)>  
**Subject:** Re: Open Meeting Complaint against Supervisors Ronen, Mar and Haney

The form was submitted online through the link you provided. Does that not work?

On Wed, Jul 22, 2020 at 11:20 AM Leger, Cheryl (BOS) <[cheryl.leger@sfgov.org](mailto:cheryl.leger@sfgov.org)> wrote:

Your complaint will become public when your matter is scheduled to be heard before a SOTF Committee.

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When will the complaint become public?

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# Respondent's Document Submission

## Leger, Cheryl (BOS)

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**From:** SOTF, (BOS)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 18, 2020 4:30 PM  
**To:** Beinart, Amy (BOS)  
**Subject:** RE: SOTF - Complaint Filed with the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force - File No. 20087

Dear Amy: The email I sent includes standard information I am required to include in each notification I send to respondents. I am aware of the Mayor's Proclamation you outlined below. Please provide a response as soon as you can. Thank you.

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**From:** Beinart, Amy (BOS) <[amy.beinart@sfgov.org](mailto:amy.beinart@sfgov.org)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 18, 2020 3:42 PM  
**To:** SOTF, (BOS) <[sotf@sfgov.org](mailto:sotf@sfgov.org)>; Ronen, Hillary <[hillary.ronen@sfgov.org](mailto:hillary.ronen@sfgov.org)>  
**Cc:** [sjdanonymous14213@gmail.com](mailto:sjdanonymous14213@gmail.com); Lerma, Santiago (BOS) <[santiago.lerma@sfgov.org](mailto:santiago.lerma@sfgov.org)>; Monge, Paul (BOS) <[paul.monge@sfgov.org](mailto:paul.monge@sfgov.org)>  
**Subject:** RE: SOTF - Complaint Filed with the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force - File No. 20087

Dear Cheryl,

Thank you for your email regarding the above-referenced complaint. We intend to submit a written response, as you have suggested. But I write to note that the deadline in your email is not accurate. On March 23, in the Mayor's Fifth Supplement to her Emergency Proclamation, the Mayor temporarily suspended deadlines for the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force to make determinations and for parties to submit information to the Task Force. The pertinent section of the Mayor's order is in section 7(e) on page 9 of [this document](#). Your email states that Sup. Ronen must submit a written response within five business days, but that deadline has been suspended by the Mayor while departments deploy resources for other purposes related to the emergency. In compliance with the Mayor's order, we will prepare and submit a response in the near future, but we will not be able to submit it within the five-day deadline mentioned in your email.

Thanks much,  
~Amy  
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Amy Beinart | Legislative Aide/Chief of Staff  
Office of Supervisor Hillary Ronen  
415.554.7739 | [amy.beinart@sfgov.org](mailto:amy.beinart@sfgov.org)  
<https://sfbos.org/supervisor-ronen-district-9>

**From:** SOTF, (BOS) <[sotf@sfgov.org](mailto:sotf@sfgov.org)>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 17, 2020 3:01 PM  
**To:** Ronen, Hillary <[hillary.ronen@sfgov.org](mailto:hillary.ronen@sfgov.org)>  
**Cc:** [sidanonymous14213@gmail.com](mailto:sidanonymous14213@gmail.com); Beinart, Amy (BOS) <[amy.beinart@sfgov.org](mailto:amy.beinart@sfgov.org)>; Lerma, Santiago (BOS) <[santiago.lerma@sfgov.org](mailto:santiago.lerma@sfgov.org)>; Monge, Paul (BOS) <[paul.monge@sfgov.org](mailto:paul.monge@sfgov.org)>  
**Subject:** SOTF - Complaint Filed with the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force - File No. 20087

Good Afternoon:

Supervisor Hillary Ronen has been named as a Respondent in the attached complaint filed with the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force. Please respond to the attached complaint/request within five business days.

**The Respondent is required to submit a written response to the allegations including any and all supporting documents, recordings, electronic media, etc., to the Task Force within five (5) business days of receipt of this notice.** This is your opportunity to provide a full explanation to allow the Task Force to be fully informed in considering your response prior its meeting.

Please include the following information in your response if applicable:

1. List all relevant records with descriptions that have been provided pursuant to the Complainant request.
2. Date the relevant records were provided to the Complainant.
3. Description of the method used, along with any relevant search terms used, to search for the relevant records.
4. Statement/declaration that all relevant documents have been provided, does not exist, or has been excluded.
5. Copy of the original request for records (if applicable).

Please refer to the File Number when submitting any new information and/or supporting documents pertaining to this complaint.

The Complainant alleges:  
*Complaint Attached.*

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Will do. Thanks.


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Amy Beinart | Legislative Aide/Chief of Staff  
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**Sent:** Tuesday, August 18, 2020 4:30 PM  
**To:** Beinart, Amy (BOS) <[amy.beinart@sfgov.org](mailto:amy.beinart@sfgov.org)>  
**Subject:** RE: SOTF - Complaint Filed with the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force - File No. 20087

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**Leger, Cheryl (BOS)**

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**From:** Beinart, Amy (BOS)  
**Sent:** Friday, September 11, 2020 10:18 AM  
**To:** SOTF, (BOS)  
**Cc:** Ronen, Hillary; Li-D9, Jennifer (BOS)  
**Subject:** RE: SOTF - Complaint Filed with the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force - File No. 20087

Dear Cheryl,

Thank you very much for confirming your understanding about the timeframe for our response to this complaint under the Mayor's Proclamation. I appreciate your flexibility.

The Brown Act and the San Francisco Sunshine Ordinance provide that any gathering of a majority of the members of the Board of Supervisors or of a committee of the Board *to discuss matters within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction* constitutes a meeting of the Board of Supervisors. These laws require that any such meeting be open to the public and noticed and conducted in compliance with the Brown Act and the Sunshine Ordinance.

As you probably know, the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors' website includes a special notice regarding members of the Board of Supervisors participating in meetings of the San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee (SF DCCC). To address the possibility that members of the DCCC may discuss matters that could fall within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board of Supervisors, the Clerk's website posts a link to the DCCC's website where notices of its meetings are available.. <https://sfbos.org/san-francisco-democratic-county-central-committee-dccc>

This complaint cites Supervisor Ronen's participation in the July 23, 2020, meeting of the SF DCCC that was also attended by Supervisors Mar and Haney. While it is true that Supervisors Ronen and Mar together, as two of three members of the Rules Committee of the Board of Supervisors, meet the threshold for quorum for that Committee, there was no matter on the DCCC agenda that was under the Board of Supervisors' (or Rules Committee's) subject matter jurisdiction, and therefore not a violation of the Brown Act.

Please let me know if any additional information is needed.  
Take care,  
~Amy

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Will do. Thanks.

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## Leger, Cheryl (BOS)

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**From:** Leger, Cheryl (BOS)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 22, 2020 1:55 PM  
**To:** Young, Victor (BOS)  
**Cc:** Calvillo, Angela (BOS)  
**Subject:** RE: Open Meeting Complaint against Supervisors Ronen, Mar and Haney

Let's split it now to avoid confusion later on.

Cheryl

**From:** Young, Victor (BOS) <[victor.young@sfgov.org](mailto:victor.young@sfgov.org)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 22, 2020 1:42 PM  
**To:** Leger, Cheryl (BOS) <[cheryl.leger@sfgov.org](mailto:cheryl.leger@sfgov.org)>  
**Cc:** Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <[angela.calvillo@sfgov.org](mailto:angela.calvillo@sfgov.org)>  
**Subject:** RE: Open Meeting Complaint against Supervisors Ronen, Mar and Haney

We can open one file for now but may need to split it at a later time as each Supervisor are separate entities.

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**From:** Leger, Cheryl (BOS) <[cheryl.leger@sfgov.org](mailto:cheryl.leger@sfgov.org)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 22, 2020 11:32 AM  
**To:** Young, Victor (BOS) <[victor.young@sfgov.org](mailto:victor.young@sfgov.org)>  
**Subject:** FW: Open Meeting Complaint against Supervisors Ronen, Mar and Haney

Victor: The complaint below involves the same allegations of three Supervisors. I think one all inclusive matter should suffice not three separate complaints. What's your opinion?

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**Sent:** Tuesday, July 21, 2020 9:04 AM  
**To:** SOTF, (BOS) <[sotf@sfgov.org](mailto:sotf@sfgov.org)>  
**Subject:** Open Meeting Complaint against Supervisors Ronen, Mar and Haney

This message is from outside the City email system. Do not open links or attachments from untrusted sources.

I am filing a complaint against Supervisors Ronen, Mar and Haney for violating the Sunshine Ordinance's Open Meeting requirements. I am requesting a public hearing before the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force. You may contact me through this email address. Here are the facts and the violations:

Members of the San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee (SFDCCC) met secretly this past weekend after being summoned by Chair David Campos. Among other things, the group discussed the SFDCCC's pending endorsement in Supervisor Districts 1 and 7. In the meeting, Chair Campos coordinated votes to support Connie Chan and Vilaska Nguyen. As I file this complaint, no endorsement has yet been made, but is expected on Wednesday, July 22.

The secret SFDCCC meeting about the District 7 endorsement was attended by Supervisors Ronen, Mar and Haney who are all SFDCCC members, but the meeting was not publicly noticed or open to the public per the Sunshine Ordinance or the Brown Act. These requirements are triggered by the fact that the attending Supervisors constituted a majority of the following committees of the Board of Supervisors: Rules Committee (Supervisors Ronen, Stefani, and Mar) and the Government Audit and Oversight Committee (Supervisors Mar, Peskin, and Haney). Please see SF Admin. Code sections 67.3(a),(d), 67.5, 67.6, 67.8. This is why meetings of the SFDCC are typically noticed and open to the public, but this did not happen this time, in part because Chair Campos, the three Supervisors, and others did not want the public to see the lining up of votes for the District 1 endorsement in favor of Connie Chan and District 7 endorsement in favor of Vilaska Nguyen

To confirm my allegations, the Task Force should contact Supervisors Ronen, Mar and Haney who were obviously at the meeting. Thereafter, please take appropriate action.

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**Cc:** 'sjdanonymous14213@gmail.com'; Beinart, Amy (BOS); Lerma, Santiago (BOS); Monge, Paul (BOS)  
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**Attachments:** SOTF - Complaint Procedure 2019-10-02 FINAL.pdf; 20087 Complaint.pdf

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**Subject:** SOTF - Request for Waiver of 45 day Rule

Dear SOTF Petitioners, Respondents and other Stakeholders:

As you most likely know SOTF operations have been delayed over the last few months due to the Covid-19 emergency. The SOTF have started to conduct remote meetings via videoconference and are working to establish procedures to resume all operations including the processing of complaints.

While the Sunshine Ordinance requires that certain actions be taken within 45 days, the Covid-19 emergency has forced delays and immense new backlogs for complaint hearings. We write today to ask if you are willing to waive the 45 day rule for your complaint.

The SOTF intends to resume hearing complaints *on a limited basis and complaints will be* queued to be heard in the near future. We continue to work to address technical issues posed by remote meetings. We are aware of the time sensitivity of your records requests. Please be assured that the SOTF appreciates the urgency of your matters and the importance of handling them in a timely manner.

If you have further questions about your files or have other issues, please feel free to email the SOTF Administrator at the email below.

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## **Leger, Cheryl (BOS)**

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**From:** SOTF, (BOS)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 10, 2021 9:38 AM  
**To:** Jared Cooper; Tucker, John (FIR); libraryusers2004@yahoo.com; Lambert, Michael (LIB); sjdanon14213@gmail.com; Mahogany, Honey (BOS); Mcdonald, Courtney (BOS); RivamonteMesa, Abigail (BOS); Zou, Han (BOS); Haney, Matt (BOS); Beinart, Amy (BOS); Lerma, Santiago (BOS); Monge, Paul (BOS); Ronen, Hillary; Quan, Daisy (BOS); Wong, Alan (BOS); Wright, Edward (BOS); Mar, Gordon (BOS); Chu, Carmen (ADM); Barnes, Bill (ADM); Reiter, Rob (ADM); Lin-Wilson, Tiffany (REC); San Francisco Living Wage  
**Subject:** SOTF - Notice of Appearance - Education, Outreach and Training Committee: March 23, 2021, 5:30 p.m.

Good Morning:

Notice is hereby given that the Education, Outreach and Training Committee (Committee) of the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force (Task Force) shall hold hearings on the complaints listed below to: 1) determine if the Task Force has jurisdiction; 2) review the merits of the complaints; and/or 3) issue a report and/or recommendation to the Task Force.

Date: March 23, 2021

Location: Remote Meeting

Time: 5:30 p.m.

Complainants: Your attendance is required for this meeting/hearing.

Respondents/Departments: Pursuant to Section 67.21 (e) of the Ordinance, the custodian of records or a representative of your department, who can speak to the matter, is required at the meeting/hearing.

Complaints:

**File No. 20078:** Complaint filed by Jared Cooper against Fire Department and John Tucker for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Sections 67.25, by failing to respond to a public records request in a timely and/or complete manner.

**File No. 20082:** Complaint filed by Peter Warfield against the Public Library for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section 67.15, by failing to allow participation in public comment during a remote Library Commission meeting.

**File No. 20086:** Complaint filed by SJD Anonymous against Supervisor Matt Haney for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Sections 67.3(a)(d), by failing to provide notice of a meeting of a policy body, 67.5 failing to allow open and public meetings, 67.6 failing to post the time and place for the meeting and 67.8. by failing to allow agenda disclosures.

**File No. 20087:** Complaint filed by SJD Anonymous against Supervisor Hillary Ronen for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Sections 67.3(a)(d) failure to provide notice of a meeting of a



policy body, 67.5 failing to allow open and public meetings, 67.6 failing to post the time and place for the meeting and 67.8. by failing to allow agenda disclosures.

**File No. 20088:** Complaint filed by SJD Anonymous against Supervisor Gordon Mar for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Sections 67.3(a)(d) failure to provide notice of a meeting of a policy body, 67.5 failing to allow open and public meetings, 67.6 failing to post the time and place for the meeting and 67.8. by failing to allow agenda disclosures.

**File No. 20090:** Complaint filed by Karl Kramer against the City Administrator's Office for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section 67.21 by failing to respond to a records request in a timely and/or complete manner.

**File No. 20092:** Complaint filed by Karl Kramer against the Department of Recreation and Parks for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section 67.21 by failing to respond to a records request in a timely and/or complete manner.

### **Documentation (evidence supporting/disputing complaint)**

For a document to be considered, it must be received at least four (5) working days before the hearing. *For inclusion into the agenda packet, supplemental/supporting documents must be received by 5:00 pm, March 18, 2021.*

Cheryl Leger  
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