

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. Waterbury Board of Education

Appearing on behalf of the Student: Parent

Appearing on behalf of the Board: Attorney Christine Sullivan
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Hartford, CT 06103

Appearing before: Attorney Brette H. Fitton
Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUE:

Does the placement proposed by the Waterbury Board of Education provide Student with a free appropriate public education, and, if it does not, should the Student remain in the Northwest Village School, where he is currently placed, for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY AND SUMMARY:

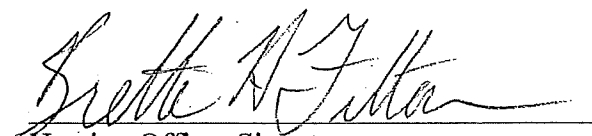
On December 28, 2017, the Board received a request for a special education due process hearing filed by Parent and the Connecticut State Department of Education appointed the undersigned Hearing Officer to preside over the matter. During the prehearing conference held on January 27, 2017, a hearing date of February 21, 2017 was set and the deadline for mailing the final decision and order was established as March 13, 2017. On February 2, 2017, Parent withdrew her request for a special education due process hearing.

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In light of the above facts, the case is dismissed.

If the local or regional board of education or the unified school district responsible for providing special education for the student requiring special education does not take action on the findings or prescription of the hearing officer within fifteen days after receipt thereof, the State Board of Education shall take appropriate action to enforce the findings or prescription of the hearing officer.

Appeals from the hearing decision of the hearing officer may be made to state or federal court by either party in accordance with the provisions of Section 4-183, Connecticut General Statutes, and Title 20, United States Code 1415(i)(2)(A).


Hearing Officer Signature

Brette H. Fitton
Hearing Officer Name in Print