

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student and New Haven Board of Education

Appearing on behalf of the Student:	Attorney Alexis H. Smith New Haven Legal Assistance Association, Inc. 426 State Street New Haven, CT 06510
Appearing on behalf of the Board of Education:	Attorney Michelle Laubin Berchem, Moses & Devlin, P.C. 75 Broad Street Milford, CT 06460
Appearing before:	Attorney Ann F. Bird Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

1. Should the Board of Education have conducted an evaluation to determine the Student's eligibility for special education and related services?
2. If so, what is an appropriate remedy?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY:

The Student requested an expedited special education due process hearing in the above-captioned matter on March 5, 2014. This Impartial Hearing Officer was also appointed on March 5, 2014.

A telephonic pre-hearing conference was held on March 11, 2014. Attorney Alexis Smith appeared on behalf of the Student and Attorney Michelle Laubin appeared on behalf of the Board of Education. A hearing was scheduled for March 31, 2014.

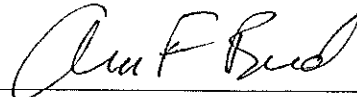
On March 19, 2014 Counsel for the Student reported that the controversy had been resolved between the parties and requested that the Impartial Hearing Officer dismiss the matter.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:

It is ordered that the Student's request for dismissal is granted and this matter is dismissed with prejudice.

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

ANN F BIRD

Hearing Officer Name in Print