STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Student v. Ridgefield Board of Education

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Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES

- I. Whether the district provided the child with an appropriate education?
- II. Whether the services the Parents obtained and an out-of-district placement is appropriate for the child and whether they should be reimbursed for the cost of the services?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

On January 26, 2006the parent through their attorney requested due process. At a prehearing conference on February 9, 2006 the attorney for the LEA (local education agency) made a sufficiency challenge. The Parents' attorney made clarifications to the claim for due process. The LEA again challenged the sufficiency of the claim for due process which was ruled to be sufficient by the hearing officer. At a hearing on May 28, 2006 new counsel in the matter requested leave to pursue mediation. At the scheduled hearing the parties report they believe they have an agreement. No additional dates are set for hearing in the matter. The matter is dismissed without prejudice.

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The case is dismissed without prejudice.