STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Student v. Woodbridge Board of Education

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Appearing on behalf of Woodbridge Board of Education: Atty. Marsha Belman Moses, Berchem, Moses & Devlin, P.C., 75 Broad Street, Milford, CT 06460

Appearing before: Attorney Patricia M. Strong, Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The Parent (Mother) filed a due process hearing request with the State Department of Education (SDE) on August 24, 2006. The Woodbridge Board of Education received the request on August 25. This Hearing Officer was assigned to the case on August 25. On September 5 a notice of a prehearing conference scheduled for September 12 was sent to the Parent's attorney and the Board's Director of Special Services. On September 7 Atty. Moses appeared for the Board. The prehearing conference was rescheduled to September 14 at the Parent's attorney's request. He wrote to the Hearing Officer that the parties had agreed to settle the case at an August 30 mediation. At the prehearing conference one hearing date was scheduled for October 31. The mailing date for the decision was set at November 8, 2006. The Parent's attorney said he would withdraw the hearing request when the agreement was reduced to writing and signed by the parties. On October 12 the Parent's attorney wrote to the Hearing Officer that the parties had reached agreement, that the Parent wished to withdraw the hearing request without prejudice and asked that the hearing on October 31 be canceled. He stated that once the agreement was fully executed, the Parent would withdraw with prejudice. On October 26, the Parent's attorney wrote a letter stating that the Parent withdrew her hearing request with prejudice. The hearing was canceled.

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It is ordered that this case be dismissed with prejudice.