

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. Ansonia Board of Education

Appearing on behalf of the Parent:	Parents, <i>Pro se</i>
Appearing on behalf of the Board:	Michelle Laubin, Esq. Bercham, Moses & Devlin, P.C. 75 Broad Street Milford, CT 06460
Appearing before:	Mary H.B. Gelfman, Esq. Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

Shall the decision to deny funding of an independent Speech/Language evaluation of the Student by a practitioner who does not hold a Connecticut Speech/Language certificate be sustained?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY:

This hearing was requested by the Board on October 22, 2012. The Hearing Officer was appointed on October 23, 2012. The date for mailing the decision was incorrectly given as December 22, 2012: when the Board initiates a hearing, there is no conciliation period and the decision date in this case is December 6, 2012.

At the pre-hearing conference on November 21, 2012, the Parties informed the Hearing Officer that mediation was scheduled for November 27, 2012. The hearing was scheduled for December 18, 2012.

STATEMENT OF JURISDICTION:

This matter was scheduled to be heard as a contested case pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes (C.G.S.) §10-76h and related regulations, 20 United States Code §1415(f) and related regulations, and in accordance with the Uniform Administrative Procedure Act (U.A.P.A.), C.G.S. §§4-176e to 4-178, inclusive, §§4-181a and 4-186.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:

This matter, having been settled in mediation by the Parties, and the request for hearing having been withdrawn, is DISMISSED.