

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. Sherman Board of Education

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Appearing before: Attorney Christine B. Spak  
Hearing Officer

**FINAL DECISION AND ORDER**

The prehearing conference in this matter was scheduled for Friday, October 3, 2003 and the Student's counsel confirmed her and the Board's availability for the scheduled date and time by way of a faxed letter on September 30, 2003. However, the Student's counsel did not participate in the prehearing conference. The prehearing went forward without her and two dates for hearing were selected conditioned upon the Board forwarding certain records to the Hearing Officer on or before October 10, 2003. The Hearing Officer received no further communication or records. The parties were sent a notice advising that if the records were not received by October 14, 2003 this matter would be dismissed without prejudice. No records or further communication has been received from either side.

**FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:**

The hearing is dismissed without prejudice.