

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. New Hartford Board of Education

Appearing on behalf of the Parents: Father, pro se

Appearing on behalf of the Board: Mr. Lawrence W. Niek
Director of Special Education and Related Services
New Hartford Public Schools
40 Wickett Street
New Hartford, CT 06057

Appearing before: Attorney Patricia M. Strong
Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The Parent requested this hearing on April 29, 2004. This hearing officer was assigned to the case on the same date. A prehearing conference was held on May 6. At that time, Mr. Niek advised the Hearing Officer that an attorney would not represent the Board and that he would represent the Board. The parties advised the Hearing Officer that an advisory hearing was scheduled for June 10 and requested a hearing in late June or early July. A hearing date was agreed on for June 28 and the decision deadline was extended to July 14. Parties were ordered to file exhibits and witness lists by June 22. On June 21, the Parent left a telephone message and sent a letter requesting that the time for filing be extended to June 25. The Parent stated that the parties had reached a tentative agreement, which they anticipated reducing to writing prior to June 25. No exhibits or withdrawal were received by June 25. On June 27 the Parent sent a letter asking the Hearing Officer to accept the withdrawal of the "dispute upon settlement between parties." The parties were advised by letter that the hearing for June 28 was cancelled and the case would be dismissed.

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It is ordered that the case be dismissed.