

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. New Haven Board of Education

Appearing on behalf of the Parents: Attorney Mildred Doody
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Appearing on behalf of the Board: Attorney Marsha Belman Moses
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Appearing before: Attorney Patricia M. Strong
Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

This hearing was requested on December 20, 2004. This Hearing Officer was assigned to the case on December 21. A prehearing conference was held on December 28 after being rescheduled from December 27 at the request of the Board's attorney. The issue concerned whether the student should be classified as eligible for special education under the category of emotionally disturbed. The Parties did not believe mediation would be beneficial and requested two hearing dates and an extension of the decision deadline. Hearing dates were agreed on for January 28 and February 7, 2005. The decision deadline was extended from February 3 to March 1, 2005. Witness lists and exhibits were due on January 21. The Parent's witness list and exhibits were received on January 21. The Board's were filed on January 24. On January 27, 2005, the Parent's attorney faxed a letter to the Hearing Officer in which she stated that the Parties had resolved the issues and that she wished to withdraw the case with prejudice. The Hearing Officer cancelled the hearing for January 28.

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It is ordered that this case shall be dismissed with prejudice.