

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

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Appearing before: Attorney Deborah R. Kearns, Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES

- I. Whether the child meets his transition goals and is therefore ready to graduate from the local educational agency program?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The parent filed a claim for due process on June 12, 2007 prior to the child's participation in the graduation from the local educational agency's (LEA) high school. At a prehearing conference the parties agreed to hearing dates. The hearing commenced on July 17, 2006, the parent requested leave to obtain counsel which the LEA agreed would be appropriate. On August 10, 2007 the parent again requested time to have counsel appear in the matter and requested the hearing continue on October 16, 2007. The parties agreed to extend the date for mailing final decision on the record until November 16, 2007. New counsel's request for the hearing to be dismissed without prejudice is granted.

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1. The matter is dismissed without prejudice.