

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. Branford Board of Education

Appearing on behalf of the Parents: *Pro Se*

Appearing on behalf of the Board: Attorney Marsha Belman Moses, Berchem, Moses & Devlin, P.C., 75 Broad Street, Milford, CT 06460

Appearing before: Attorney Mary Elizabeth Oppenheim, Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

- I. Whether the Board had a basis of knowledge that the Student was a child with a disability before the behavior that precipitated the pending disciplinary action occurred.
- II. Whether the Student qualifies for special education.
- III. Whether the behavior that resulted in the pending disciplinary action was a manifestation of the Student's disability in that the conduct in question was caused by, or had a direct and substantial relationship to, the Student's disability.

SUMMARY:

The Board received this request for hearing on June 26, at which time an expulsion hearing was pending. This matter proceeded as an expedited hearing. On August 1 the hearing convened, at which time the parties noted on the record that a settlement was reached on all issues.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:

The matter is **DISMISSED, with prejudice.**