

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. Bethel Board of Education

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Appearing on behalf of the Bethel Board of Education: Atty. Susan C. Freedman,
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Appearing before: Attorney Patricia M. Strong, Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

This hearing was requested by the Parents' attorney who sent a letter to the State Department of Education ("SDE") and the Board. The Board received the letter on July 19, 2007. The SDE received it on July 20. This Hearing Officer was assigned to the case on July 24. On July 30, a prehearing conference was scheduled for August 9. On August 1 the Board's attorney filed a Motion to Contest Sufficiency and Strike. On August 6, the Parents' attorney wrote to the Hearing Officer that the parties reached an agreement at the resolution session, which would resolve all issues. She requested a one-week postponement of the prehearing conference. The prehearing conference was rescheduled for August 17. On August 7, the Board's attorney requested that the prehearing date be changed because she was not available on August 17. On August 8, the prehearing conference was rescheduled for August 20, and the Hearing Officer wrote to the parties that the Board's motion would be held in abeyance until the conference. On August 15, the Parents' attorney wrote to the Hearing Officer that the parties had executed a settlement agreement and that the case could be dismissed with prejudice. The decision deadline was set at October 2, 2007.

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