# STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Student v. Wilton Board of Education

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Hearing Officer

# FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

#### **ISSUES**:

1. Did the District fail to conduct appropriate evaluations of the Student?

- 2. Did the District fail to provide the Student with a Free Appropriate Public Education for the 2014 Extended School Year?
- 3. Is the program proposed by the District for the 2014-2015 school year appropriate?
- 4. If the program proposed by the District for the 2014-2015 school year is not appropriate, what is the appropriate program?

### PROCEDURAL HISTORY AND SUMMARY:

On August 26, 2014, the Wilton Board of Education received a Request for a Special Education Due Process Hearing. On August 27, 2014, the undersigned Hearing Officer was appointed. On September 5, 2014, a prehearing conference was held during which hearing dates of November 4, 2014 and November 7, 2014 were set and the deadline for the mailing of the Final Decision and Order was established as November 9, 2014. On October 31, 2014, Counsel for the Student withdrew the hearing request.

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In light of the above facts, the case is dismissed.

If the local or regional board of education or the unified school district responsible for providing special education for the student requiring special education does not take action on the findings or prescription of the hearing officer within fifteen days after receipt thereof, the State Board of Education shall take appropriate action to enforce the findings or prescription of the hearing officer.

Appeals from the hearing decision of the hearing officer may be made to state or federal court by either party in accordance with the provisions of Section 4-183, Connecticut General Statutes, and Title 20, United States Code 1415(i)(2)(A).

Hearing Officer Signature

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