STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Wolcott Board of Education v. Student

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Sylvia Ho, Esq. Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

1. Were the Board's 2014 evaluations appropriate?

2. If not, are Parents entitled to independent educational evaluations at public expense?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY/SUMMARY:

The Board filed the Due Process Complaint and Request for Hearing on December 2, 2017. The Hearing Officer was appointed on December 8, 2017 and conducted a Prehearing Conference on December 14, 2017. The hearing was scheduled for February 10, 2017 at the request of the Board so that the parties could engage in mediation. On February 7, 2017, the Board withdrew the Hearing Request.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:

The matter 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

Sylvia Ho

Hearing Officer

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