

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Somers Board of Education and Student

Appearing on behalf of the Board of Education: Dr. Denise Messina
Somers Board of Education
1 Vision Boulevard
Somers, CT 06071

Appearing on behalf of the Student: Parent, *Pro Se*

Appearing before: Attorney Ann F. Bird
Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUE:

Is the Student entitled to an independent educational evaluation at public expense?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY:

The Board of Education filed this due process case on December 22, 2016. A prehearing conference was held on January 26, 2017. Dr. Denise Messina appeared on behalf of the Board of Education and the Student's parent appeared *Pro Se*. A hearing was scheduled for March 10, 2017. The deadline for submitting the decision was established to be February 3, 2017.

On January 26, 2017, the Board of Education requested a thirty-day postponement and extension of the timelines to conduct the hearing and to file the final decision in this case to March 3, 2017. The purpose of the requested postponement and extension was to accommodate the hearing schedule and to allow the parties an opportunity to discuss settlement of the dispute. The request was granted.

On February 23, 2017, the Board of Education reported that the parties resolved the dispute and requested that the matter be dismissed.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:

It is ordered that the Board of Education's request is granted and the matter is dismissed.