# STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Fairfield Board of Education and Student

Appearing on behalf of the Board of Education:

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Appearing on behalf of the Student:

Parent, Pro Se

Appearing before:

Attorney Ann F. Bird Hearing Officer

## FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

### **ISSUES**:

- 1. Is the Student entitled to reimbursement from public funds for the assessment performed by Dr. Cherkes-Julkowski in 2012?
- 2. Is the Student entitled to reimbursement from public funds for the assessment performed by Dr. Cherkes-Julkowski in 2013?

#### PROCEDURAL HISTORY:

The Board of Education filed this due process case on January 2, 2014 in response to the Student's request for reimbursement for evaluations, in order to establish that its evaluation of the Student was appropriate. A prehearing conference was held on January 6, 2014 and evidentiary hearings were scheduled for March 4 and 5, 2014.

On January 6, 2014, Counsel for the Student submitted a written request for a thirty-day postponement and extension of the timelines to conduct the hearing and to file the final decision in this case to March 14, 2014. That request was granted.

At the hearing on March 4, 2014, the Board of Education reported that the Student withdrew the request for reimbursement and requested that the Impartial Hearing Officer dismiss the matter.

#### **FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:**

It is ordered that the Board of Education's request for dismissal is granted and this 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

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