

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. Meriden Board of Education

Appearing on behalf of the Student:

Parent

Appearing on behalf of the Board:

Attorney Gwen Zittoun  
Shipman & Goodwin, LLP  
One Constitution Plaza  
Hartford, CT 06103-1919

Appearing before:

Attorney Brette H. Fitton  
Hearing Officer

**FINAL DECISION AND ORDER**

**ISSUE:**

Did the District's proposed Individualized Education Program deny Student a Free Appropriate Public Education in the Least Restrictive Environment?

**PROCEDURAL HISTORY AND SUMMARY:**


On June 15, 2016, the Board received a request for a special education due process hearing filed by the Parent. The Connecticut State Department of Education appointed the undersigned Hearing Officer on June 16, 2016. The deadline for the mailing of the final decision and order was August 29, 2016. On June 28, 2016, Parent withdrew the request for a special education due process hearing in writing, indicating the matter had settled. No hearing dates were set as the matter settled before a prehearing conference was held.

**FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:**

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

Brette H. Fitton  
Hearing Officer      Name in Print