

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. Enfield Board of Education

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Appearing before: Attorney Brette H. Fitton  
Hearing Officer

**FINAL DECISION AND ORDER**

**ISSUES:**

1. Did the District err when it determined the Student was not eligible for Special Education at the February 25, 2016 Planning and Placement Team (PPT) meeting?
2. Did the District err when it denied Parent's request for an Independent Educational Evaluation?

**PROCEDURAL HISTORY AND SUMMARY:**

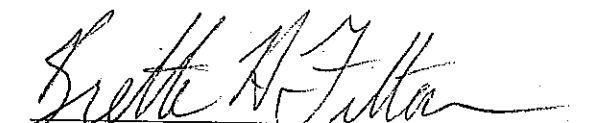
On March 1, 2016, the Board received a Special Education Due Process Hearing Request filed by the Parent and the Connecticut State Department of Education appointed this Hearing Officer to preside over the matter. A prehearing conference was set for March 24, 2016. The deadline for mailing the Final Decision and Order in this matter was May 13, 2016. On March 23, 2016, the day before the prehearing conference, Attorney for the Parent informed the Hearing Officer that Parent was withdrawing her request for a Special Education Due Process Hearing.

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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

Brette H. Fitton  
Hearing Officer      Name in Print