

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. Westport Board of Education

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Appearing before: Attorney Janis C. Jerman, Hearing Officer

**FINAL DECISION AND ORDER**

A special education hearing in the above-captioned matter was requested by the Student via letter dated April 9, 2009. It was received by the Board of Education on April 13, 2009. The 30-day resolution period ran through May 13, 2009. The original deadline for mailing the final decision and order was June 27, 2009. On behalf of the parties, Attorney Moses filed a request for extension of the mailing date. The request was granted after full consideration of the positions of the parties. The deadline for mailing the final decision and order was extended until July 27, 2009.

A pre-hearing conference was held on April 30, 2009 at which time the following issues were identified:

1. Whether the Board of Education failed to provide a free appropriate public education to Student for the 2008 extended school year;
2. Whether the Board of Education failed to provide a free appropriate public education to Student for the 2008-09 school year;
3. Whether the program as proposed for the 2009 extended school year fails to provide a free appropriate public education to Student;
4. Whether the program as proposed for the 2009-10 school year fails to provide a free appropriate public education to Student;
5. If the Board of Education did fail to provide a free appropriate public education to Student during any of the above periods, is Student entitled to reimbursement for services at Center for Growth & Development and/or Connect to Talk, reimbursement for home services, reimbursement for two evaluations; and/or compensatory education for time lost during the above periods to date?

The parties participated in mediation and came to a settlement agreement. Via letter dated June 18, 2009, Attorney Belanger withdrew the Student's request for hearing with prejudice.

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In light of the above facts, the above-captioned case is hereby dismissed with prejudice.