EDU #1226-96 C # 659-97 SB # 8-98

RITA HIBO AND SUSAN ARILLO,

PETITIONERS-RESPONDENTS, :

V. : STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE WEST: DECISION

ESSEX REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT,

ESSEX COUNTY, :

RESPONDENT-APPELLANT. :

Decided by the Commissioner of Education, December 29, 1997

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The decision of the Commissioner of Education is affirmed for the reasons expressed therein.

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