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Case: C-7645-13

You recently filed a state complaint against the Michigan Department of Education Office of Special Education (OSE). The OSE opened this state complaint as C-7645-13. The OSE case manager and the Kent Intermediate School District (ISD) investigator clarified the allegations in your state complaint by conference call on June 4, 2013.

You raised the following four allegations against the OSE:

Allegation 1 Whether the Final Report in C-7599-13 addressed each allegation

Whether the MDE statement in the Final Report of C-7599-13

represented a known falsification of fact as a basis for dismissing the allegation

Allegation 3 Whether the MDE followed the State Complaint Procedures (August 2011), specifically part VII

Whether the MDE dismissed allegations because the allegations were systemic

You initially filed a state complaint against the East Grand Rapids Public Schools (district). On March 25, 2013 the OSE opened this state complaint as C-7599-13. The OSE issued a Final Resolution for C-7599-13 on April 25, 2013. The Final Resolution addressed your district-wide systemic allegation that the district's procedure for determining specific learning disability violates the Michigan Administrative Rules for Special Education (MARSE) and the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

On May 6, 2013 you requested reconsideration of the Final Resolution of C-7599-13. In a letter dated May 7, 2013 the OSE denied your request for reconsideration.

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The OSE does not have the authority to provide further administrative remedies. The OSE is dismissing your allegations because the OSE addressed them in the Final Resolution and the denial of the request for reconsideration for C-7599-13. As stated in previous communication you may appeal to a court of competent jurisdiction.

If you have any questions, please contact me at

Sincerely,

Program Accountability
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