

**Glenn D., Keneisha S. and James T.
individually and on behalf of a class of
similarly situated persons**

v.

**The Louisiana Department of Education,
Board of Elementary and Secondary
Education**

REQUEST FOR DUE PROCESS

HEARING OFFICER: STEVEN W. COOK

JOINT STIPULATION

- I. On February 2, 2005 a class of emotionally disturbed students filed a Due Process Complaint against the Louisiana Department of Education (LDE) and the Louisiana Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) pursuant to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), 20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq. and Louisiana's Children with Exceptionalities Act, R.S.17:1941e

STIPULATED ORDER

The parties in this matter, Glenn D., Keneisha S., and James T. et al. (Petitioners); Louisiana Department of Education (LDE) and Louisiana Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) have jointly stipulated that further exhaustion of administrative remedies to resolve this due process request raising class-wide systemic violations would be futile.

Having examined the claims raised and the relief requested in this matter and following discussion with the parties,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that any further exhaustion of IDEA's administrative remedies, beyond mediation, would be futile and that that the appropriate forum for resolution of the issues raised in this class-wide complaint is Federal Court.

ORDER RENDERED AND SIGNED IN _____, Louisiana, this _____ day of March, 2005.

Administrative Hearing Officer