EDU #9743-94 and #9745-94 (consolidated) C # 150-97 SB # 40-97

ANITA LEWIS, :

PETITIONER-RESPONDENT, :

V. :

STATE-OPERATED SCHOOL DISTRICT : OF THE CITY OF PATERSON, PASSAIC

COUNTY, : STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

RESPONDENT-APPELLANT, : DECISION

AND :

DEBRA ANN SKAWINSKI, :

PETITIONER-CROSS/APPELLANT, :

V. :

STATE-OPERATED SCHOOL DISTRICT : OF THE CITY OF PATERSON, PASSAIC COUNTY, :

RESPONDENT-APPELLANT. :

Decided by the Commissioner of Education, March 24, 1997

For the Petitioner-Cross/Appellant, Zazzali, Zazzali, Fagella & Nowak (Kathleen A. Naprstek, Esq., of Counsel)

For the Petitioner-Respondent, Balk, Oxfeld, Mandell & Cohen (Gail Oxfeld Kanef, Esq., of Counsel)

For the Respondent-Appellant, Purcell, Ries, Shannon, Mulcahy & O'Neill (Joseph F. Skinner, Esq., of Counsel)

The State Board of Education has reviewed the proposed settlement submitted by the State-operated District of Paterson and petitioner Debra Ann Skawinski and finds it to be in accord with the principles expressed in <u>Cardonick v. Board of Education</u> of the Borough of Brooklawn, decided by the State Board of Education, April 6, 1983. The State Board therefore approves the settlement.¹

October 1, 1997	
Date of mailing	

¹ We note that the appeal filed by the State-operated District with regard to petitioner Anita Lewis is still pending before us.