



**State of New Jersey**  
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW

**DECISION**

**(Dismissal for Failure to Appear)**

OAL DKT. NO. EDS 10684-23

AGENCY DKT. NO. 2024-36463

**M.Z. ON BEHALF OF A.Z.,**

Petitioner,

v.

**PATERSON CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION,**

Respondent.

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**M.Z.**, petitioner, pro se

**Boris Zaydel**, Esq., for respondent (Paterson Board of Education Counsel)

Record Closed: October 12, 2023

Decided: October 16, 2023

BEFORE **EVELYN J. MAROSE**, ALJ (Ret'd, on recall)

This case, which arises under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C.A. §§1401 to 1484(a) and C.F.R. §§300.500, was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law for hearing and final decision on October 11, 2023.

A Zoom Settlement Conference was scheduled for October 12, 2023, notice of which was sent to the petitioner by the Office of Special Education on October 6, 2023. On the day of the Settlement Conference, the petitioner did not appear. To date, petitioner has not

explained her nonappearance. Accordingly, the petition must be **DISMISSED** for failure to pursue a claim of action under N.J.A.C. 1:1-14.4.

**ORDER**

I **ORDER** that the petition be **DISMISSED**.

This decision is final pursuant to 20 U.S.C.A. § 1415(i)(1)(A) and 34 C.F.R. § 300.514 (2009) and is appealable by filing a complaint and bringing a civil action either in the Law Division of the Superior Court of New Jersey or in a district court of the United States. 20 U.S.C.A. § 1415(i)(2); 34 C.F.R. § 300.516 (2009). If the parent or adult student feels that this decision is not being fully implemented with respect to program or services, this concern should be communicated in writing to the Director, Office of Special Education Programs.



October 16, 2023

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**EVELYN J. MAROSE**, ALJ (Ret'd, on recall)

Date Received at Agency

October 16, 2016

Date Mailed to Parties:

October 16, 2016

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