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Kirk Schroder, President  
Virginia Board of Education  
707 East Main Street  
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Dr. Jo Lynne DeMary, Acting Superintendent  
Virginia Department of Education  
P. O. Box 2120  
Richmond, Virginia 23218

Re: White  
v.  
Virginia Department of Education and Virginia Board of Education

Dear Mr. Schroder and Dr. DeMary:

On December 18, 1999, our attorney, Peter W. D. Wright, requested a special education due process hearing on our behalf against the Virginia Board of Education and the Virginia Department of Education (copy of letter attached).

On February 7, 2000, Hearing Officer Davis ruled in our favor. He stated that:

Therefore, in light of all of the foregoing, it is hereby ORDERED that the Virginia State Department of Education shall reimburse, or cause to be reimbursed, the parents of Glenn White for the tuition expense (upon the parents presentation of proof of cost) at the New Community School for the school year of 1999-2000 and shall pay, or cause to be paid, the tuition for any future school year that Glenn White attends that school, until such time as the appropriate Virginia or federal court makes a final determination of the rights and responsibilities of the parties in White v. Henrico County Public Schools, currently pending with the Circuit Court of Henrico County, Virginia. (Copy of decision attached.)

The time to appeal has passed. You have not appealed the Hearing Officer's decision.

Accordingly, enclosed please find a statement from The New Community School which shows that the cost of our son's tuition at The New Community School for the 1999 -

*Rec'd 4/3/00 for parents*

*3/21/00*

2000 school year is \$14,950 (\$7,475 X 2) plus a book fee of \$250, and a total amount presently due of \$15,200. This amount has not been paid by us. We were relying on your Department's August 9, 1999 letter directing Henrico County to pay ongoing tuition by August 31, 1999.

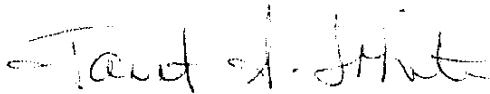
Please make arrangements to pay the amount due of **\$15,200** immediately to The New Community School. The Order to pay was issued a month and a half ago.

Henrico County had refused to obey the earlier Order of the State Level Review Officer and refused to obey your August 9, 1999 Order.

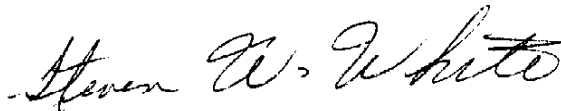
We assume that the State Department of Education and State Board of Education will not refuse to obey an Order of a state Hearing Officer.

If you do not intend to pay the ordered tuition, please let us know immediately.

Sincerely,



Janet A. White



Steven W. White

cc: Peter W. D. Wright, Esq.  
Enc.

**DELIVERED BY HAND ON MARCH 22, 2000**