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Honorable Susan M. Scarola, A.L.J.
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Re: Leonor Alcantara, et al, v. David Hespe,
Commissioner of Education, et al.
OAL Dkt. No. EDU 11069-14

Dear Judge Scarola:

As Your Honor is aware, this office represents the State Respondents in the above-referenced matter. In anticipation of our upcoming status conference on January 17, 2018, I wanted to inform Your Honor that State Respondents are asking for a brief adjournment of the hearing in this matter. As stated previously, we recently received expert reports on November 20, 2017, December 22, 2017 and two new expert reports for review that were just provided to us on January 3, 2018. We are in the process of assessing all of this information in order to best prepare our case.

Further, State Respondents have recently been informed that many of our key witnesses and resources for information will be unavailable during the month of February, at a minimum, due to the State's education budget process. We anticipate discussing this, among other issues of concern leading to this adjournment request, at the upcoming status conference.

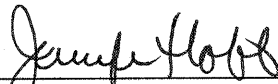
Although this matter has been going on for some time, please note that this will be State Respondents' first time requesting an adjournment of this matter.



Thank you for your courtesies in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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