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| PETITIONER,                             | : | COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION |
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| V.                                      | : | DECISION                  |
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| COUNTY,                                 | : |                           |
| RESPONDENT.                             | : |                           |

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SYNOPSIS

Petitioning parent challenged the Board’s residency determination that S.B., IV, V.B. and L.L. were not domiciled in the District. The Board counterclaimed for tuition.

In light of testimony of the parties involved, the ALJ determined that S.B., III, had custody of the children and that since he was domiciled within the Union Township school district, the children were entitled to attend the District’s public schools free of charge. The ALJ reversed the Board’s determination denying domicile eligibility to the children and ordered the children be permitted to attend the Union Township public schools.

The Commissioner adopted the findings and determination in the Initial Decision as his own.

This synopsis is not part of the Commissioner’s decision. It has been prepared for the convenience of the reader. It has been neither reviewed nor approved by the Commissioner.

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The record and Initial Decision in this matter have been reviewed. No exceptions were filed by the parties.

Upon such review, the Commissioner determines to adopt the Initial Decision of the Administrative Law Judge, concluding that petitioner's children are domiciled in respondent's district and entitled to a free education in respondent's district, as the final decision in this matter for the reasons set forth therein.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION

Date of Decision: June 20, 2002

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