

EDU #213-05
C # 59-06
SB # 11-06

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE :
TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON, :
MERCER COUNTY, : STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

PETITIONER-RESPONDENT, : DECISION

V. :

LEWIS C. SHINKLE, JR., :

RESPONDENT-APPELLANT. :

Decided by the Acting Commissioner of Education, February 9, 2006

For the Petitioner-Respondent, Szaferman Lakind, Blumstein, Blader & Lehman, P.C. (Michael R. Paglione, Esq., of Counsel)

For the Respondent-Appellant, Wills, O'Neill & Mellk (Arnold M. Mellk, Esq., of Counsel)

The decision of the Acting Commissioner of Education is affirmed for the reasons expressed therein. We fully agree with the Acting Commissioner's determination and add that the Commissioner's decision of May 15, 1998 in Ciufi v. Board of Education of the Township of Irvington, which the Acting Commissioner relied upon in her decision, was affirmed by the State Board on September 2, 1998.

Thelma Napoleon-Smith recused herself.

July 19, 2006

Date of mailing _____