

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
AND
PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION

JOHN A.Z. DOE
V.
PAWTUCKET SCHOOL COMMITTEE

DECISION

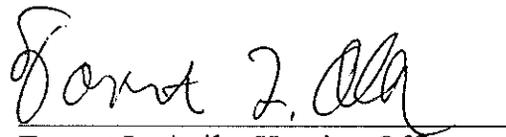
Held: Student Doe is a resident of
Pawtucket for school purposes.

Date: June 1, 1994

The record in this case establishes that Student Doe is attending high school in Pawtucket. He lives with his 27 year old brother in that city. Student Doe's mother lives in Providence. She testified that she sent Student Doe to live with his brother in Pawtucket because she could not control his behavior. She also indicated that she has suffered severe financial reverses and that her mental health has been troubled. From her testimony and from her demeanor we concluded that it would, in fact, be difficult for her to control the behavior of Student Doe. Under these circumstances we find that Student Doe is living in Pawtucket for a substantial reason other than to go to school there. We therefore find Student Doe to be a resident of Pawtucket for school purposes. Laura Doe v. Narragansett, Commissioner of Education, April 17, 1984.

Conclusion

Student Doe is a resident of Pawtucket for school purposes.


Forrest L. Avila, Hearing Officer

APPROVED:


Peter McWalters, Commissioner

June 1, 1994
Date