**Reflection Process**

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*Artifact: Identify the assignment. (Optional) Include any documents that support your completion of the assignment (documents may be scanned).*

001.3 The case of Student, bnf Parent vs. Mesquite Independent School District

*Describe: Describe the findings for the assignments.*

This is a case where the student meets the eligibility criteria for a student with a Specific Learning Disability in Mathematics Problem Solving and Written Expression. The multi-disciplinary committee, reviewed the MISD FIE, the IEE, as well as parent and teacher reports, classroom observations, and district assessments, concluded that the student qualifies for special education services.

Petitioner’s sole complaint is that student’s math instruction is not being provided in the least restrictive environment.

Based upon a preponderance of the evidence the court ordered the relief requested by Petitioner is denied**.** Based on the totality of the evidence, the student’s IEP is appropriate and is administered in the least restrictive environment. According to the student’s teachers, student requires the additional content mastery and resource support in math to be successful. Both teachers testified that student requires more repetition and assistance than student would receive in the general education classroom. The student is currently receiving appropriate special education and related services in the least restrictive environment.

*Analyze: a. Describe the importance of the findings for the assignment.*

The importance of becoming more knowledgeable about the law has enhanced and defined my skills as an educational diagnostician.

*b. Include connections to your 5 year goals or desired position.*

My desired position as a future independent contractor will enable me to fulfill my mission as a life-long learner.

*c. Compare/contrast elements in your findings to your experiences or previous knowledge.*

My experiences and previous knowledge has been enhanced by my education, research in the case studies I have reviewed, and direct on the job training with special education children.

*Appraise: Critique or describe whether any of your findings were beneficial to you or not.*

My findings are very beneficial because partnerships with the parent, school and community need to be improved

*Transform: a. Describe any future ideas or insights you gained.*

Insights I have gained include a heightened awareness of due process implications.

*b. Describe future plans for use of the ideas presented, including any changes in your current practices or, describe how the information confirmed your current practices and/or beliefs.*

My future plans are directly on target with the need to provide quality, individualized, education services for special needs citizens and increase parent and community involvement.