STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

STATE OF GEORGIA

KAREEM M.,	:
Appellant,	:
	: CASE NO. 1994-51
vs.	:
	: DECISION
GWINNETT COUNTY	:
BOARD OF EDUCATION,	:
	:
Appellee.	:

This is an appeal by Kareem M. (Student) from a decision by the Gwinnett County Board of Education (Local Board) to permanently expel him from all Gwinnett County public schools because he shot another student in the abdomen in a crowded hallway in a school. The Student filed an appeal with the State Board of Education and claimed that the Local Board's decision was too harsh because he had taken the gun to school for protection since he had been the object of racial threats. Notwithstanding his claim, the Student has failed to show any errors of law committed by the Local Board. The Local Board's decision, therefore, is SUSTAINED.

This 8th day of September, 1994.

Messrs. McGlamery, Sessoms and Williams were not present.

Robert M. Brinson Vice Chairman for Appeals