**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**STATE OF GEORGIA**

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| **T. T.,** | : | |
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| **Appellant,** | : | |
| | : | **CASE NO. 1997-43** |
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| | : | **DECISION** |
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| **BROOKS COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION,** | : | |
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| **Appellee.** | : | |

This is an appeal by T. R. (Student) from a decision by the Brooks County Board of Education to permanently expel him from the regular school program after finding that he carried a knife onto a school bus and cut the seats in the bus. The Student appealed on the grounds that the evidence does not support the decision and that the decision was so excessive that it violates due process. The Student did not submit a brief or request oral argument. In the absence of both a brief and a request for oral argument, the appeal is deemed to be abandoned. The appeal, therefore, is hereby

DISMISSED.

This 12th day of February, 1998.

Dr. Bill Grow was not present

Larry Thompson
Vice Chairman for Appeals