

September 14, 2021

Ms. Marcella E. Franczkowski, M.S. Assistant State Superintendent Maryland State Department of Education Division of Special Education/Early Intervention Services 200 West Baltimore Street Baltimore, Maryland 21201

Re: Branch in Maryland

Dear Ms. Franczkowski:

I note that the name of the branch (the Branch), headed by Ms. Dori Wilson (the Branch Chief), under which State Complaints are processed is as follows:

Family Support & Dispute Resolution Branch (the Name)

However, based on my years of experience with the Branch I find that the name of the Branch is not consistent with its activities. I often find that more disputes are created than the Branch resolves. I suggest that the name of the branch is amended as follows:

Family Support & Dispute Resolution and Creation Branch

I know some of the disputes are resolved. So it is ok to keep the word "Resolution" for now. Note that the word "Creation" is at the end. This means that many of the created disputes are not fully resolved and/or new disputes are being created.

I also note the phrase "Family Support" in the Name. However, the Name doesn't indicate whose Family is being referred. I understand that that the Branch Chief may need to support her family. By looking at some of the Branch's operations I feel that the Branch Chief may have a right to run a branch like this in her backyard. But, even to do things in backyard we may need permissions and approvals from authorities.

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This letter should not be used to interpret that all of the operations of the branch is reflected in the name or all of the branches in your division deserves a name change. Thank you in advance for your full cooperation for the education of all children with disabilities in Maryland.

Sincerely, Hameed Jamarussadiq

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