

BENCH DECISION AND AWARD

ARBITRATOR:	ROB Stein	HEARING DATE:	5-22-00
GRIEVANT:	Bethanie Oren	GRIEVANCE #:	35-04-980618-0181-01-03
DEPARTMENT:	DYS	UNION:	OCSEA
MANAGEMENT ADVOCATE:	Brad Rahr	UNION ADVOCATE:	James McElvain

ISSUE

Did the Grievant receive her 15 day suspension for just cause? If not, what shall the remedy be?

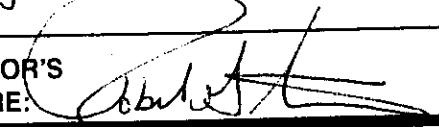
AWARD

#1(c) I find the evidence and testimony support the charge. The Grievant's experience and knowledge of the youth called for safer procedures to be employed.

#7(a) While it is clear Ms. Oren stopped the youth from completing his statement, it is not apparent why. The hearing officer (the Employer) did not step in and have the youth finish it. I do not find the Grievant's actions to be in the course of a 7(a) violation. Dated 5/22/00

#24(a) The evidence and testimony provide clear and convincing

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evidence that the Grievant could have also should have avoided taking down the youth. I find her judgement in this matter was " informed judgement." She had the skills and the opportunity to chose a different course of action. The Employer met its burden concerning this charge. The first offence calls for a 5-15 day suspension. The Youth was not hurt which mitigates the situation.

AWARD

The Employer met its burden on a Rule 1(c) and Rule 24(c) violation. ~~The Rule 7(c) is to be removed from the Grievant's record~~ 5/22/00.

The 15 day suspension is reduced to a 10 day suspension. The Grievant shall receive 5 days of back pay (including rule 24c) at the appropriate rate.