

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND

INMATES OF THE RHODE ISLAND	)	
TRAINING SCHOOL,	)	C.A. No. 71-4529-L
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Plaintiffs,	)	
	)	
v.	)	
	)	
TRISTA PICCOLA, ET AL.,	)	
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Defendants.	)	
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~~PROPOSED~~ ORDER

On June 30, 2017, the Special Master appointed by this Court, Michael Lewis, filed his final report acknowledging Defendants' full compliance with the terms of the Consent Decree. [Doc. 69]. The Special Master specifically affirmed that Defendants have fulfilled the following four requirements required by the Consent Decree:

- (1) Completion of the construction of a new facility to house and provide the required programming to the residents or renovation of the existing facility such that either the new facility or the renovated existing facility is adequate and sufficient to meet all housing, educational and programming requirement contained herein and meets all standards of the American Correctional Association for juvenile correctional facilities.
- (2) Development and full implementation of a revised Policy and Procedures Manual which Manual shall be annually reviewed and revised and continuously maintained in full force and effect by the defendants.

- (3) Full continuous implementation of the administrative grievance procedure developed with the assistance of the Master that will constitute an enduring non-judicial means of handling residents' complaints including a defendant developed process for handling resident grievances that is agreed by the parties to be effective.
- (4) The Rhode Island Training School for Youth shall achieve and maintain substantial compliance with the JDAI+ Standards negotiated by the Parties and the Special Master. Such compliance shall be measured by an inspection team comprised of two juvenile justice experts, a medical expert, a behavioral health expert, and an education expert lead by the Center for Children's Law & Policy. Once substantial compliance is achieved by Defendants it shall be measured and monitored on a yearly basis by a team of qualified community members trained on the JDAI+ standards at all future times.

See Order at 3; 12 [Doc. 67]; Report of the Special Master at 1-3 [Doc. 69].

This Court has previously set forth the procedure for final closure of this case:

Once the Special Master reports that Defendants have reached substantial compliance with this new provision of Paragraph 11(2), the Mastership shall terminate. Moreover, after the Special Master reports substantial compliance with the newly modified requirement set forth in Paragraph 11(2), the parties shall jointly move to dismiss the case.

[Doc. 67 at 12-13]. Now that the Special Master has filed his final report indicating compliance with the terms of the Consent Decree the parties have properly filed a joint motion to dismiss this action.

For the reasons set forth in the Parties' Joint Motion for Dismissal, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

This action is dismissed with prejudice.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

DATED: July 21, 2017

  
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HON. WILLIAM E. SMITH  
CHIEF JUDGE