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United States District Court, N.D. Illinois, Eastern  
Division.

PEOPLE WHO CARE, et. al., Plaintiff,  
v.

ROCKFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION SCHOOL  
DISTRICT NO. 205, Defendant.

No. 89 C 20168. | June 29, 2001.

## Opinion

### *Memorandum Opinion and Order*

MAHONEY, Magistrate J.

\*1 There has been nothing subtle about the Seventh Circuit Court's orders in this case. The order of April 18, 2001 is a good example. Two concepts dominate that order. 1) The decree is to be dissolved as of June 30, 2002 and the District is to be in control of its schools and 2) the district is entitled to no more relief than requested. This court has re-examined the District's October 15, 1999, motion and brief and will now enter an order granting all relief requested, including transferring control of the schools back to the District as of June 30, 2002.

Therefore, it is hereby ordered:

- 1) Rockford Board of Education School District No.

#### Footnotes

<sup>1</sup> RSD's October 15, 1999, brief specifies that its CRO obligations be limited to funding the following *Milliken II* programs at a rate not to exceed \$19.5 million per annum: 1) Magnet school programs, 2) Bilingual program, 3) Success For All, 4) Reading Recovery, 5) Summer School, 6) Site Based Allocations, 7) All Day Kindergarten, 8) Early Childhood Education, 9) Tutorials and 10) Inservice Training.

205(RSD) is declared to be unitary with respect to all six *Green* factors—student assignment, faculty, staff, transportation, extracurricular activities and facilities and student discipline, effective immediately upon entry of this order;

2) RSD's sole remaining obligation under the Comprehensive Remedial Order (CRO) is to provide certain *Milliken II* remedies<sup>1</sup> which provide educational and remedial advantages to the Plaintiff class through June 30, 2002. Effective immediately upon entry of this order, RSD is relieved of any other obligation under the CRO other than is set forth herein;

3) The CRO is modified to reflect that nothing contained in the CRO, as modified, shall limit the ability of RSD to fund the required remedy from grants;

4) The court Special Master, Dr. Eugene Eubanks, is relieved of all duties and obligations under the CRO as Special Master. The court appoints Dr. Eubanks as a Court Monitor with the responsibility of monitoring the implementation of the *Milliken II* programs and remedies through June 30, 2002. The court will enter a monitoring order, at a later date, which will address the responsibility of the court-appointed monitor.

5) Effective June 30, 2002, the remedial decree is dissolved and this case is dismissed with prejudice. The court does retain jurisdiction to enforce this order, including through contempt proceedings, if necessary.