

129—3.4(17A) Office consideration.

3.4(1) Within 14 days after the filing of a petition, the office must submit a copy of the petition and any accompanying brief to the administrative rules coordinator and to the administrative rules review committee. Upon request by petitioner in the petition, the office must schedule a brief and informal meeting between the petitioner and the office to discuss the petition. The office may request the petitioner to submit additional information or argument concerning the petition. The office may also solicit comments from any person on the substance of the petition. Comments on the substance of the petition may also be submitted to the office by any person.

3.4(2) Within 60 days after the filing of the petition, or within any longer period agreed to by the petitioner, the office must, in writing, deny the petition, and notify petitioner of its action and the specific grounds for the denial, or grant the petition and notify petitioner that it has instituted rule-making proceedings on the subject of the petition. The petitioner shall be deemed notified of the denial or granting of the petition on the date when the office mails or delivers the required notification to the petitioner.

3.4(3) Denial of a petition because it does not substantially conform to the required form does not preclude the filing of a new petition on the same subject that seeks to eliminate the grounds for the office's rejection of the petition.

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