

481—10.19(17A) Hearing procedures.

10.19(1) When an ALJ has been appointed as the presiding officer in a contested case, the ALJ may:

- a.* Rule on motions;
- b.* Preside at the hearing;
- c.* Require the parties to submit briefs;
- d.* Ensure that the record is fully and fairly developed by inquiring into matters at issue; and
- e.* Issue orders and rulings to ensure the orderly conduct of the proceedings.

10.19(2) All objections to procedures, admission of evidence, or any other matter shall be timely made and stated on the record.

10.19(3) Parties in a contested case have the right to participate or to be represented in all hearings or prehearing conferences related to their case. Agencies or partnerships, corporations or associations may be represented by any member, officer, director, or duly authorized agent. Any party may be represented by an attorney or as otherwise authorized by law.

10.19(4) Parties in a contested case have the right to introduce evidence on points at issue, to cross-examine witnesses, and to present evidence in rebuttal.

10.19(5) The ALJ shall maintain the decorum of the hearing and may refuse to admit or may expel anyone whose conduct is disorderly or disruptive.

10.19(6) Witnesses may be sequestered during the hearing.

10.19(7) The ALJ may allow the parties to make opening statements and closing arguments and may determine the order of presentation of evidence. Each witness shall be sworn or affirmed by the ALJ and be subject to examination.

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