223-49.5 (303) Appeals.

49.5(1) Applicants or grantees may appeal a decision of the historical division on any of the following bases:

a. The action was outside the statutory authority;

- b. The decision was influenced by a conflict of interest;
- c. The action violated state law, administrative rules, or policy;
- d. Insufficient public notice was given; or
- e. Alteration of the review and certification processes was detrimental to the applicant.

49.5(2) Written appeals shall be directed to the director of the department within 30 calendar days of notification of the decision. All appeals shall be mailed to the following address: Director, Department of Cultural Affairs, 600 East Locust Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0290.

- **49.5(3)** All appeals shall contain:
- *a*. The facts of the case;
- b. An argument in favor of the appeal; and
- c. The remedy sought.

49.5(4) The director of the department of cultural affairs shall consider and rule on the appeal after receiving all documentation from the appellant and shall notify the appellant in writing of the decision within 30 days of receipt of all documentation. The decision of the director of the department of cultural affairs shall be final except as provided in Iowa Code sections 17A.19 and 17A.20.