

62-19-20. Hearing examiners.

A. The commission may appoint a commissioner or a hearing examiner to preside over any matter before the commission, including rulemakings, adjudicatory hearings and administrative matters.

B. A hearing examiner shall provide the commission with a recommended decision on the matter assigned to the hearing examiner, including findings of fact and conclusions of law. The recommended decision shall be provided to the parties, and they may file exceptions to the decision prior to the final decision of the commission.

C. When the commission has appointed a hearing examiner to preside over a matter, at least one member of the commission shall, at the request of a party to the proceedings, attend oral argument.

History: Laws 1998, ch. 108, § 14; 2003, ch. 346, § 2; 2013, ch. 74, § 3; § 8-8-14, recompiled as § 62-19-20 by Laws 2020, ch. 9, § 59.

ANNOTATIONS

Recompilations. — Laws 2020, ch. 9, § 59 recompiled former 8-8-14 NMSA 1978 as 62-19-20 NMSA 1978, effective January 1, 2023.

The 2013 amendment, effective March 29, 2013, deleted reference to the Insurance Code; and in Subsection B, deleted "Except as provided in the New Mexico Insurance Code".

The 2003 amendment, effective June 20, 2003, added Subsection C.

