**Section 150.620 Hearing Officer**

a) A Hearing Officer may be appointed by the Board and shall have the authority to conduct hearings, administer oaths, examine witnesses, and issue orders subject to Board review.

b) A Hearing Officer must be:

1) an attorney licensed to practice in the State of Illinois; and

2) fully knowledgeable with respect to administrative hearing rules and procedures.

c) Grounds for disqualification of a Hearing Officer include, but are not limited to, family, personal or economic conflicts.

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