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CONSIDERATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES PURSUANT TO A CODE OF EXCELLENCE COMPLAINT AT A PRE-HEARING MEETING

When the Grievance Review Panel (GRP) refers a Code of Excellence complaint for hearing, the Excellence Hearing Panel (EHP) chair can determine if questions about:

1. whether the complaint(s) were filed in a timely manner, and
2. other administrative issues

will be addressed through a pre-hearing meeting of the EHP or at the outset of the hearing prior to the commencement of testimony relating to the complaint(s). If these matters arise during a hearing, the EHP will address them at that time.

Where such issues are considered at a pre-hearing meeting of the EHP, the chair will determine whether the parties may be present, and the extent to which their participation will be permitted.

Dismissals of complaints by the EHP can be appealed to the Board of Directors on the same bases as dismissals by the GRP.

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