

SOUTH CAROLINA BOARD OF DENTISTRY

POLICY / PROCEDURE

PANEL HEARING

Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Sections 40-1-90 and 40-15-180.

POLICY:

S.C. Code Ann. Section 40-1-90 authorizes the Board to designate a hearing officer or hearing panel to conduct hearings or take other action as may be necessary under this section.

At its July 15, 2005 meeting, the Board voted to establish a pool of panel members, including former Board members, to serve as designated hearing officers and panel members for the purpose of assisting in the conduct of disciplinary hearings.

PROCEDURE:

The names of individuals interested in serving as hearing officers or hearing panel members will be submitted to the Board for consideration. The Board shall appoint persons who are licensed dental professionals (dentists and dental hygienists) residing in the State and practicing their profession, and public members, to serve as disciplinary hearing officers and panel members, empowered to conduct hearings and other matters against dental professionals filed with the Board. Individual hearing panels shall consist of not less than three members, one of whom shall be designated to serve as Chairman and be the presiding officer. In cases where the Respondent is a dentist, the panel shall consist of a minimum of two dentists. In cases where the Respondent is a dental hygienist, the panel shall consist of a minimum of two dental hygienists. Appointment of panel members to an individual hearing panel shall be made by the President of the Board. Panel members shall receive mileage, subsistence, and per diem provided by law for each hearing attended.

Policy Amended: January 11, 2008

By: _____
H. Rion Alvey, Administrator