

N.J.A.C. 1:19-15.1 describes the special rule of evidence that applies to Commission hearings that permit any relevant evidence, not subject to a claim of privilege, to be admitted regardless of any rule of evidence which would bar such evidence in judicial matters.

The Office of Administrative Law has reviewed these rules and found them to be necessary, reasonable, and proper for the purposes in which they were originally promulgated, as required by Executive Order No. 66 (1978). Therefore, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1.c(1), these rules are readopted and shall continue in effect for a seven-year period.

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**(a)**

**OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW**

**Notice of Readoption**

**Special Hearing Rules**

**Hearings Before the Public Employment Relations  
Appeal Board**

**Readoption: N.J.A.C. 1:20**

Authority: N.J.S.A. 52:14F-5(e), (f), and (g).

Authorized By: Ellen Bass, Acting Director, Office of  
Administrative Law.

Effective Date: November 5, 2021.

New Expiration Date: November 5, 2028.

**Take notice** that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1, the Special Hearing Rules for Public Employment Relations Appeal Board cases, N.J.A.C. 1:20, were scheduled to expire on October 16, 2021. Pursuant to Executive Order Nos. 127 (2020) and 244 (2021) and P.L. 2021, c. 103, any chapter of the New Jersey Administrative Code that would otherwise have expired during the Public Health Emergency originally declared in Executive Order No. 103 (2020) is extended through January 1, 2022. Therefore, this chapter has not yet expired and the 30-day filing date pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1.c has not yet occurred, therefore, pursuant to Executive Order No. 244 (2021), and P.L. 2021, c. 103, this notice of readoption is timely filed.

N.J.A.C. 1:20 provides procedures for filing petitions, answers, evidence, and guidance for oral argument on exceptions and motions to reopen.

The Office of Administrative Law has reviewed these rules and found them to be necessary, reasonable, and proper for the purposes in which they were originally promulgated, as required by Executive Order No. 66 (1978). Therefore, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1.c(1), these rules are readopted and shall continue in effect for a seven-year period.

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**(b)**

**OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW**

**Notice of Readoption**

**Special Hearing Rules**

**Trade Secret Claims**

**Readoption: N.J.A.C. 1:21**

Authority: N.J.S.A. 52:14F-5(e), (f), and (g).

Authorized By: Ellen Bass, Acting Director, Office of  
Administrative Law.

Effective Date: November 5, 2021.

New Expiration Date: November 5, 2028.

**Take notice** that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1.c, the Special Hearing Rules for Trade Secret Claims were scheduled to expire on October 3, 2021. Pursuant to Executive Order Nos. 127 (2020) and 244 (2021) and P.L. 2021, c. 103, any chapter of the New Jersey Administrative Code that would otherwise have expired during the Public Health Emergency originally declared in Executive Order No. 103 (2020) is extended through January 1, 2022. Therefore, this chapter has not yet

expired and the 30-day filing date pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1.c has not yet occurred, therefore, pursuant to Executive Order No. 244 (2021), and P.L. 2021, c. 103, this notice of readoption is timely filed.

N.J.A.C. 1:21 provides special procedures during transmission, discovery, motion practice, and recording processes that preserve confidentiality of trade secrets.

The Office of Administrative Law has reviewed these rules and found them to be necessary, reasonable, and proper for the purposes in which they were originally promulgated, as required by Executive Order No. 66 (1978). Therefore in accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1.c(1), these rules are readopted and shall continue in effect for a seven-year period.

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**(c)**

**OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW**

**Notice of Readoption**

**Organization of the Office of Administrative Law**

**Readoption: N.J.A.C. 1:31**

Authority: N.J.S.A. 52:14F-5(e), (f), and (g).

Authorized By: Ellen Bass, Acting Director, Office of  
Administrative Law.

Effective Date: November 5, 2021.

New Expiration Date: November 5, 2028.

**Take notice** that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1.c, the rules for organization of the Office of Administrative Law (OAL), N.J.A.C. 1:31, were scheduled to expire on May 18, 2022. The summary of the readopted subchapters follows:

Subchapter 1 describes the functions of the OAL. The OAL conducts contested case hearings, promulgates rules, coordinates rulemaking proceedings within the Executive Branch, publishes the New Jersey Register and Administrative Code, and makes copies of initial decisions available to the public.

Subchapter 2 outlines the process regarding OAL rulemaking. Specifically, it describes the procedure to petition for a rule, when a comment period will be extended, when a public hearing will be held on a proposed rule, and the manner in which the OAL will provide additional notice of its rulemaking activity.

Subchapter 3 sets forth the disciplinary process for Administrative Law Judges.

The Office of Administrative Law has reviewed these rules and found them to be necessary, reasonable, and proper for the purposes in which they were originally promulgated, as required by Executive Order No. 66 (1978). Therefore, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1.c(1), these rules are readopted and shall continue in effect for a seven-year period.

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**AGRICULTURE**

**(d)**

**DIVISION OF MARKETING AND DEVELOPMENT**

**Notice of Readoption**

**Administration**

**Readoption: N.J.A.C. 2:1**

Authority: N.J.S.A. 4:1-11.

Authorized By: The State Board of Agriculture and Douglas H.  
Fisher, Secretary, Department of Agriculture.

Effective Date: October 29, 2021.

New Expiration Date: October 29, 2028.

**Take notice** that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1, the rules at N.J.A.C. 2:1 were scheduled to expire on May 29, 2021. Pursuant to Executive Order Nos. 127 (2020) and 244 (2021) and P.L. 2021, c. 103, any chapter of the New Jersey Administrative Code that would otherwise have expired