

BEFORE THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

IN RE: OAH DIVISIONS and IDAHO ) General Order No. 2  
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CODE §67-5282(D). )  
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BASED UPON the authority given to the Chief Administrative Hearing Officer of the Office of Administrative Hearings per Idaho Code §67-5282(d), which provides as follows:

(1) The chief administrative hearing officer shall: ...

(d) Subject to applicable law and regulation, appoint, supervise, and remove hearing officers and staff as he deems appropriate to the proper functioning of the office of administrative hearings, determine the duties of such appointees as he deems appropriate, and, from among the hearing officers employed by the office of administrative hearings, designate a deputy chief administrative hearing officer to act in place of the chief administrative hearing officer when the chief administrative hearing officer is unable to perform his duties;

AND AS the Office of Administrative Hearings will begin presiding over Idaho Department of Health and Welfare contested cases beginning on July 1, 2024,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that, on and after July 1, 2024, the Office of Administrative Hearings will be subdivided into two divisions: the General Government Division and the Health and Social Services Division.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that administrative law judges may be assigned to divisions by the Chief Administrative Hearing Officer from time to time in the Chief Administrative Hearing Officer’s sole discretion.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that each division will have a Lead Administrative Law Judge, who will be assigned by the Chief Administrative Hearing Officer from time to time in the

Chief Administrative Hearing Officer's sole discretion.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the types of cases handled by each division will be determined by the Chief Administrative Hearing Officer from time to time in the Chief Administrative Hearing Officer's sole discretion; however, such cases will initially be assigned by this General Order as follows:

**Health and Social Services:** All Department of Health and Welfare proceedings.

**General Government:** All other proceedings assigned by any other agency, board, department, division, or commission.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Chief Administrative Hearing Officer delegates to the Lead of the Health and Social Services Division the responsibility for assignment of individual cases to administrative law judges in the Health and Social Services Division, subject to the use of a weighted/modified random assignment wheel as periodically approved by the Chief Administrative Hearing Officer.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that assignment of individual cases to administrative law judges in the General Government Division shall remain the responsibility of the Chief Administrative Hearing Officer.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this General Order may be amended or revoked at any time the Chief Administrative Hearing Officer deems advisable.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED June 28, 2024.

OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS



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Bryan A. Nickels  
Chief Administrative Hearing Officer