

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA COURT OF APPEALS BOARD ON PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2020-8	:	This Order applies to all Board on
	:	Professional Responsibility or
	:	Hearing Committee cases
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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT the Board on Professional Responsibility continues to adjust its operations to address concerns regarding the Coronavirus (COVID-19).

Having determined that the Board has the technical capability to conduct proceedings remotely, Administrative Order 2020-7 provided that oral arguments before the Board and all hearings before Hearing Committees (whether in contested cases, negotiated discipline cases or reinstatement cases), will proceed as scheduled via videoconference. These remote proceedings are conducted using the Zoom platform, and are intended to facilitate the fair and timely resolution of disciplinary proceedings, while protecting the health and safety of the volunteer adjudicators, the parties, the disciplinary system staff and the public.

Administrative Order 2020-6 provided that oral arguments before the Board will be live-streamed in their entirety on the Board's YouTube channel, but that the audio only of Hearing Committee proceedings would be live-streamed on the Hearing Committees' YouTube channel. Links to those channels are available on the Board's website.

It now appearing that the Superior Court of the District of Columbia is streaming live audio and video of trial-level proceedings, the live-streams of Hearing Committee proceedings will now include both audio and video. Streams of Hearing Committee proceedings shall be available for live viewing only, and shall be removed from the Hearing Committees' YouTube channel at the conclusion of each hearing day.

Live streams of Board or Hearing Committee proceedings shall not be recorded.

The Board will make additional adjustments as circumstances warrant.

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