

**ELC 10.1**  
**GENERAL PROCEDURE**

**(a) Applicability of Civil Rules.** The civil rules for the superior courts of the State of Washington serve as guidance in proceedings under this title and, where indicated, apply directly. A party may not move for summary judgment, but either party may move at any time for an order determining the collateral estoppel effect of a judgment in another proceeding. Motions for judgment on the pleadings and motions to dismiss based upon the pleadings are available only to the extent permitted in rule 10.10.

**(b) Meaning of Terms in Civil Rules.** In applying the civil rules to proceedings under these rules, terms have the following meanings:

- (1) "Court" or "judge" means the hearing officer; and
- (2) "Parties" means the respondent lawyer and disciplinary counsel.

**(c) Hearing Officer Authority.** In addition to the powers specifically provided in these rules, the hearing officer may make any ruling that appears necessary and appropriate to ensure a fair and orderly proceeding.

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