

WAC 461-08-475 Motions. (1) An application to the board for an order must be by motion which, unless made during a hearing, must be in writing, state with particularity the grounds therefor and set forth the relief sought. A moving party is not required to submit a proposed order with a motion unless requested to do so by the presiding officer.

(2) For motions for continuance or for schedule changes, or other motions that are likely to be uncontested, the moving party shall affirmatively seek the agreement of all parties and present a stipulated order wherever possible.

(3) If the motion is contested, any party may request, or the board may independently set, an oral argument on the motion. The presiding officer will decide whether or not an oral argument will be held and notify the parties accordingly. At oral argument, the board will consider the arguments of the parties but will not take evidence or testimony from witnesses.

(4) Unless a scheduling letter or order provides otherwise, the following schedule governs all written motions (including any supporting affidavits, memoranda of law, or other documentation):

(a) All motions dispositive of all or part of an appeal must be filed and served not later than 90 days before the hearing date, unless the presiding officer by order allows otherwise.

(b) All responses to any dispositive motion must be filed and served 14 days from the receipt of the motion by the nonmoving party. The moving party then has 10 days from receipt of the response to file and serve a reply.

(c) All responses to any nondispositive motion must be filed and served five days from receipt of the motion by the nonmoving party. The moving party then has three days from receipt of the response to file and serve a reply.

(d) In exigent or exceptional circumstances, a party may at any time request the board to modify the above schedules by requesting a scheduling conference (which may be telephonic) with the presiding officer.

(5) Unless oral argument is held, the board normally decides motions exclusively on the parties' written submissions.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 43.21B.170 and 90.58.175. WSR 23-11-078, § 461-08-475, filed 5/17/23, effective 6/16/23; WSR 15-03-044, § 461-08-475, filed 1/14/15, effective 2/14/15. Statutory Authority: RCW 43.21B.170, 90.58.174, chapters 43.21B, 34.05, and 90.58 RCW. WSR 07-03-074, § 461-08-475, filed 1/17/07, effective 2/17/07. Statutory Authority: RCW 90.58.175. WSR 96-15-002, § 461-08-475, filed 7/3/96, effective 8/3/96.]