ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING POLICY

In accordance with K.S.A. 77-523, hearings held pursuant to the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act are open to observation, unless it is determined by the Presiding Officer that the hearing in whole or in part shall be closed pursuant to Kansas law.

It is the policy of the Kansas Board of Accountancy that broadcasting, televising, videotaping, photographing or the use of any media or equipment/devices to capture images in any hearing rooms utilized by a Presiding Officer and areas immediately adjacent to the hearing rooms during hearing or recesses between hearings is prohibited. This includes the use of any type of cellular phone, to include I-phones or a similar device.

In accordance with K.S.A. 77-523(e), an audio recording by a party to the proceeding may be permitted, subject to any reasonable conditions that the Kansas Board of Accountancy may impose and the understanding such recording is at the party’s expense. Furthermore, those portions of the recording which contain information or proceedings otherwise subject to closure pursuant to Kansas law shall be subject to the Board’s order relative to closure and not subject to dissemination by the parties.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, any hearing held pursuant to the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act shall not be deemed a meeting pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4317a and amendments thereto.

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