Tribunal Appeal Process and Form

Appealing a Tribunal Decision – A Complex Undertakin

A student has the right to appeal any decision of the hearing officer, panel, or tribunal, impc long-term suspension of more than ten (10) days or expulsion. The appeal is made to the Richmond County Board of Education (RCBOE). The Richmond County Board of Educatio reviews the hearing record and takes the action it deems appropriate, including imposing m lenient or a harsher discipline than that imposed by the disciplinary tribunal.

If appealing the tribunal's decision is appropriate, then the appellant must file a written notic within twenty (20) days from the date of the tribunal's decision.

The time calculations for appeals include holidays and weekends. If the twentieth (20th) da on a holiday or weekend, the appeal must still be submitted prior to that holiday or weeken

After receipt of the appeal, the RCBOE shall review the record and render its decision in wr within ten (10) days (excluding weekends and public and legal holidays) from the date the RCBOE receives notice of the appeal.

If the Richmond County Board of Education decision is adverse to the client, the attorney m an appeal to the State Board of Education (SBOE) within thirty (30) days of that decision to State Board of Education. Either party may appeal the decision to the SBOE. If the decisior appealed to the SBOE, both parties are required to file briefs with the SBOE. Oral argumen occur if either party or the hearing officer requests oral argument within ten (10) days of the docketing.

After the SBOE issues its decision, either party may then appeal to the Superior Court of th county where the Local Board of Education (LBOE) is situated. The appeal must be filed wi thirty (30) days from the decision of the SBOE. Within ten (10) days of the filing of such app the State School Superintendent shall transmit a certified copy of the record, a transcript fro LBOE, the LBOE decision, and all orders of the SBOE to the Superior Court.

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If the student receives an unfavorable ruling from the Superior Court, the attorney may file a application for discretionary review with the Georgia Court of Appeals.

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