

Defined terms: "Commission" § 9-101

"Covered employee" § 9-101

9-714. CLAIM PROCESSING.

(A) INVESTIGATION; HEARING.

WHEN THE COMMISSION RECEIVES A CLAIM, THE COMMISSION:

(1) MAY INVESTIGATE THE CLAIM; AND

(2) ON APPLICATION OF ANY PARTY TO THE CLAIM, SHALL ORDER A HEARING.

(B) DETERMINATION.

(1) THE COMMISSION SHALL MAKE OR DENY AN AWARD WITHIN 30 DAYS:

(I) AFTER THE CLAIM IS FILED; OR

(II) IF A HEARING IS HELD, AFTER THE HEARING IS CONCLUDED.

(2) THE DECISION SHALL BE RECORDED IN THE PRINCIPAL OFFICE OF THE COMMISSION.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 101, § 40(a).

In subsection (a) of this section, the introductory language, "[w]hen the Commission receives a claim", is added for clarity.

In subsection (a)(1) of this section, the word "may" is substituted for the former words "shall make or cause to be made [an investigation] ... as it deems necessary", for clarity and to reflect that the Commission has discretion in the administration of claims.

In subsection (b)(1) of this section, the former words "determining such claim for compensation" are deleted as surplusage.

In subsection (b)(2) of this section, the word "principal" is added to modify "office" for clarity, since former Art. 101, §§ 1 and 6 — now § 9-306(c) of this title — provide that the Commission may have more than 1 office. Current practice of the Commission dictates that documents are processed at a single location.

Also in subsection (b)(2) of this section, the word "recorded" is substituted for the word "file", to conform to § 9-305 of this title, which requires the Commission to keep a record of proceedings, including a record of each case and each award.