

SECTION .0500 – ELECTRONIC FILING

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In addition to the definitions contained in G.S. 150B-23.3, the following definitions apply to the rules in this Section:

- (1) "Electronic filing" or "filed electronically" means the electronic transmission of the petition, notice of hearing, pleadings, or any other documents filed in a contested case with the Office of Administrative Hearings by uploading to the case docket using the OAH electronic filing system (e-OAH) accessed through a link on the OAH website at www.oah.nc.gov.
- (2) "Electronic Filing Service Provider (EFSP)" means the service provided by the Office of Administrative Hearings for electronic filing and electronic service of documents by way of the Internet accessed through a link on the OAH website at www.oah.nc.gov.
- (3) "Electronic signature" or "signed electronically" means a graphic version of the e-OAH user's signature or "s/" followed by the e-OAH user's typewritten name. This shall be the legal equivalent of the e-OAH user's handwritten signature.
- (4) "Electronic service" or "served electronically" means the electronic transmission of the petition, notice of hearing, pleadings, or any other documents filed in a contested case with the Office of Administrative Hearings to an attorney, mediator, or party by means of the Electronic Filing Service Provider.
- (5) "Filed" means received by the chief hearings clerk of the Office of Administrative Hearings in e-OAH.

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