

**Board Administration and Regulatory Coordination Unit**

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**Division 3. Air Resources Board**

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**Chapter 1. Air Resources Board**

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**Subchapter 1.25. Administrative Procedures–Hearings**

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**Article 3. Administrative Hearing Procedures for  
Petitions for Review of Complaints**

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**Subarticle 2. Hearing Officers**

**§ 60065.12. Disqualification.**

(a) The hearing officer shall disqualify himself or herself and withdraw from any case in which he or she cannot accord a fair and impartial hearing.

(b) A hearing officer may not hear any case in which he or she has previously served as an investigator, prosecutor, or advocate.

(c) Any party may request the disqualification of a hearing officer or the executive officer, on a request for reconsideration, by filing an affidavit or declaration under penalty of perjury. A request against the hearing officer must be made no later than five days prior to the commencement of a prehearing conference or first day of hearing on the merits, whichever is earlier. A request for disqualification of the executive officer must be included in the request for reconsideration. The affidavit or declaration must state with particularity the grounds upon which it is claimed that a fair and impartial hearing cannot be accorded. The issue shall be respectively determined by either the hearing officer or the executive officer against whom the request for disqualification has been filed.

NOTE: Authority cited: Sections 39600, 39601, 43028 and 43031(a), Health and Safety Code. Reference: *Mathews v. Eldridge*, 424 U.S. 319 (1976); Sections 43028 and 43031(a), Health and Safety Code; and Sections 11425.40 and 11512, Government Code.

REFERENCE