



ARKANSAS JUDICIARY

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## SECTION 12. APPEAL.

- A. A respondent attorney or the Executive Director aggrieved by an action of a panel taken at a public hearing may appeal to the Arkansas Supreme Court by filing a Notice of Appeal with the Office of Professional Conduct within thirty (30) calendar days after the filing of the panel's final written order with the Clerk or by filing a Notice of Cross-Appeal with the Office of Professional Conduct within ten (10) calendar days after receiving a properly-filed notice of appeal. The appeal shall proceed as an action between the Executive Director and the respondent. The panel may stay the effective date of any order or action, pending appeal to the Arkansas Supreme Court. There shall be no appeal by the respondent attorney of a panel's decision to file an action for disbarment pursuant to Section 13.
- B. Appeals from any action by a panel after hearing shall be heard de novo on the record made before the Committee panel, and the Arkansas Supreme Court shall pronounce such judgment as, in its opinion, should have been pronounced below.
- C. Notice of appeal and lodging of the record on appeal shall be in accordance with the Rules of Appellate Procedure -- Civil and the Rules of the Arkansas Supreme Court governing appeals in civil matters. If no appeal is perfected within the time allowed and in the manner provided, the action of the panel shall be final and binding on all parties.

### **Associated Court Rules:**

Procedures of the Arkansas Supreme Court Regulating Professional Conduct of Attorneys at Law

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