

Small Business Administration

§ 134.213

(c) *8(a) appeals.* In 8(a) program appeals, amendments to pleadings and supplemental pleadings will be permitted by the Judge only upon a showing of good cause.

(d) *Answer.* In an order permitting the serving and filing of an amended or supplemented petition or order to show cause, the Judge will establish the time for serving and filing an answer.

§ 134.208 Representation in cases before OHA.

(a) A party may represent itself, or be represented by a duly licensed attorney. A member of a partnership may represent the partnership, and an officer may represent a corporation, trust, or association.

(b) An attorney for a party who did not appear on behalf of that party in the party's first filing with OHA must serve and file a written notice of appearance.

(c) An attorney seeking to withdraw from a case must serve and file a motion for the withdrawal of his or her appearance.

§ 134.209 Requirement of signature.

Every written submission to OHA, other than evidence, must be signed by the party filing that submission, or by the party's attorney. By signing the submission, a party or its attorney attests that the statements and allegations in that submission are true to the best of its knowledge, and that the submission is not being filed for the purpose of delay or harassment.

§ 134.210 Intervention.

(a) *By SBA.* SBA may intervene as of right at any time in any case until final decision.

(b) *By interested persons.* Any individual, partnership, association, corporation, trust, or governmental agency may move to intervene at any time until final decision by serving and filing a motion to intervene containing a statement of the movant's interest in the case and the necessity for intervention to protect such interest. The Judge may grant leave to intervene upon such terms as he or she deems appropriate.

§ 134.211 Motions.

(a) *Contents.* All motions must state the relief being requested, as well as the grounds and any authority for that relief.

(b) *Response.* No later than 20 days after the service of a motion, all non-moving parties must serve and file a response or be deemed to have consented to the relief sought. Unless the Judge directs otherwise, the moving party will have no right to reply to a response, nor will oral argument be heard on the motion.

(c) *Service of orders.* OHA will serve upon all parties any written order issued in response to a motion.

(d) *Stay.* A motion to dismiss stays the time to answer. The Judge will establish the time for serving and filing an answer in the order determining the motion to dismiss.

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§ 134.212 Summary decision.

(a) *Grounds.* A party may move for summary decision at any time as to all or any portion of the case, on the grounds that there is no genuine issue as to any material fact, and that the moving party is entitled to a decision in its favor as a matter of law.

(b) *Contents of motion.* The motion must include a statement of the material facts believed not to be disputed, and relevant law. Supporting affidavits may also be included.

(c) *Cross-motions.* In its response to a motion for summary decision, a party may cross-move for summary decision. The initial moving party may serve and file a response to any cross-motion for summary decision within 20 days after the service of that cross-motion.

(d) *Stay.* A motion for summary decision stays the time to answer. The Judge will establish the time for serving and filing an answer in the order determining the motion for summary decision.

§ 134.213 Discovery.

(a) *Motion.* A party may obtain discovery only upon motion, and for good cause shown.