

**Report on Administrative Proceedings
for the Period October 1, 1997 through March 31, 1998**

**Matters Before the
Administrative Law Judges**

	10/1/97 - 3/30/98	4/1/97 - 9/30/97	10/1/96 - 3/31/97
Number pending at start of period	89	71	58
New matters added during period	18 (1)	41	45
Subtotal	107	112	103
Dispositions:			
Initial decisions	7	8	12
Other dispositions (e.g. settlements, defaults)	20 (2)	15 (2)	21 (3)
Total Pending at end of period	80	89	71
Initial decisions:			
Median age at decision (days)	493	382	397
Number issued within 10 months	3	2	4

Matters Before the Commission

	10/1/97 - 3/30/98	4/1/97 - 9/30/97	10/1/96 - 3/31/97
<u>Review of ALJ Matters (4)</u>			
Number pending at start of period	29	32	32
New matters added during period	7	6	9
Subtotal	36	38	41
Dispositions			
Opinions	6	6	8
Other dispositions (e.g., dismissals)	2	3	1
Total pending at end of period	28	29	32
Opinions: (5)			
Median age at decision (days)	691	525	670
Number decided within 11 months	1	2	2

	10/1/97 - 3/30/98	4/1/97 - 9/30/97	10/1/96 - 3/31/97
<u>Review of SRO Decisions</u>			
Number pending at start of period	41	33	28
New matters added during period	18	26	26
Subtotal	59	59	54
Dispositions:			
Opinions	17	11	18
Other dispositions (e.g., dismissals, remands)	2	7	3
Total pending at end of period	40	41	33
Opinions:			
Median age at decision (days)	342	344	320
Number decided within 11 months	8	5	9

	10/1/97 - 3/30/98	4/1/97 - 9/30/97	10/1/96 - 3/31/97
<u>Miscellaneous Matters</u>			
Interlocutory Motions:			
Number pending at start of period	0	0	0
Number filed and decided during period	0	2	2
Total pending at end of period	0	0	0
Median age at decision (days)	-	18	15
Number decided within 45 days	-	2	2
Stay Requests:			
Number pending at start of period	4	3	0
Number filed during the period	7	16	10
Number decided during period	10	14	8
Total pending at end of period	0 (6)	4 (6)	2
Median age at decision (days)	2	8	5
Number decided within guidelines (7)	6	9	8

- (1) Of this number, 13 were orders instituting proceedings. The number of orders instituting proceedings issued during this six-month period by month are:
10/97: 1; 11/97: 1; 12/97: 5; 1/98: 0; 2/98: 3; 3/98: 3.
- (2) This number covers all proceedings disposed of other than by an initial decision, including default orders that dispose of the entire proceeding.
- (3) Numbers do not tally because some default orders did not dispose of the entire proceeding.
- (4) May include review of initial decisions, review of other non-interlocutory ALJ matters, and matters on remand from the Courts of Appeals.
- (5) Many of these matters were conducted under the former Rules of Practice. This report and the previous reports apply the guidelines contained in the new Rules of Practice in order to establish benchmarks for future reports.
- (6) Numbers do not tally because one stay request pending at the start of the period no longer is included because the underlying appeal was dismissed during the period.
- (7) Guideline is either 5 days or 45 days depending on the effective date of the order requested to be stayed.