WAC 192-800-110 What options are available for an aggrieved party who received an order of default? (1) Any party aggrieved by the entry of an order of default may:

(a) File a motion to vacate the order of default with the office of administrative hearings within ten days of the date of mailing of the order of default; or

(b) File a petition for review from such order by complying with the filing requirements set forth in WAC 192-800-100.

(2) The provisions in subsection (1)(a) of this section toll the appeal period for filing a timely petition for review with the commissioner's review office until the office of administrative hearings issues a ruling on the motion. However, should a petition for review be filed while a ruling on a motion to vacate is pending, the office of administrative hearings no longer has jurisdiction to vacate the default order.

(3) Under subsection (1)(a) of this section, an order of default will be vacated by the presiding officer only upon a showing of good cause for failure to appear or to request a postponement prior to the scheduled time for hearing. If the order of default is vacated, the presiding administrative law judge will conduct a hearing on the merits and issue a decision.

(4) Under subsection (1)(b) of this section, an order of default will be set aside by the commissioner's review office only upon a showing of good cause for failure to appear or to request a postponement prior to the scheduled time for hearing. In the event such an order of default is set aside, the commissioner will remand the matter to the office of administrative hearings for hearing and decision.

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