- WAC 391-08-640 Adjudicative proceedings—Appeals. Actions by the executive director and other agency staff members in adjudicative proceedings under the Administrative Procedure Act (cases under chapters 391-25, 391-35, 391-45 and 391-95 WAC) are taken under authority delegated by the commission.
- (1) The parties shall have the right to appeal to the commission, as follows:
- (a) Under chapter 391-25 WAC, a direction of election or direction of cross-check and other rulings in the proceedings up to the issuance of a tally are interim orders, and may only be appealed to the commission by objections under WAC 391-25-590 after the election or cross-check.
- (b) Under chapter 391-25 WAC, an order issued under WAC 391-25-390 or 391-25-510 and any rulings in the proceedings up to the issuance of the order, as well as rulings that the employer or employees are subject to the jurisdiction of the commission, may be appealed to the commission under WAC 391-25-660.
- (c) Under chapter 391-35 WAC, an order issued under WAC 391-35-190 and any rulings in the proceedings up to the issuance of the order may be appealed to the commission under WAC 391-35-210.
- (d) Under chapter 391-45 WAC, an order issued under WAC 391-45-110(1) or 391-45-310 and any rulings in the proceedings up to the issuance of the order may be appealed to the commission under WAC 391-45-350.
- (e) Under chapter 391-95 WAC, an order issued under WAC $391-95-150\,(1)$ or 391-95-250 and any rulings in the proceedings up to the issuance of the order may be appealed to the commission under WAC 391-95-270.
- (2) For cases decided under chapter 47.64 RCW, the marine employees' commission shall act in place of the commission.
- (3) The commission will only consider amicus (friend of the forum) briefs filed in conformity with this subsection.
- (a) The person or organization desiring to file an amicus brief must:
- (i) Obtain a copy of the decision on appeal, the notice of appeal, and the briefs of the parties;
 - (ii) Limit any amicus brief to particular issues on appeal;
- (iii) Limit any legal analysis to arguments that differ from those advanced by the parties;
- (iv) Exclude restatement or reargument of the facts, except as necessary to legal arguments under (a) (iii) of this subsection;
- (v) Limit any amicus brief to twenty-five pages in total length (double-spaced, 12-point type); and
- (vi) File the amicus brief with the commission within fourteen days following filing and service of the briefs of the parties, and serve copies of any such brief on each of the original parties in the case.
- (b) The commission may extend the deadline for a party wishing to file an amicus brief if the petitioning party demonstrates good cause for such extension.
- (c) The original parties to the case may, within fourteen days following the filing and service of an amicus brief, file and serve written responses to the amicus brief.
- (d) A person or organization that files an amicus brief does not thereby acquire any right to reply to the responses filed by the original parties to the case.

- (e) A person or organization that files an amicus brief does not thereby become a party to the case for purposes of any further proceedings or appeal.
- (4) The commission may, on its own motion, review any order which is subject to appeal under subsection (1) of this section, by giving written notice to all parties within thirty days following the issuance of the order.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 28B.52.080, 41.56.090, 41.58.050, 41.58.065, 41.59.110, 41.76.060, 41.80.080, and 49.39.060. WSR 12-05-066, § 391-08-640, filed 2/15/12, effective 3/17/12. Statutory Authority: RCW 28B.52.080, 41.56.090, 41.58.050, 41.59.110, 41.76.060, 41.80.080. WSR 08-04-059, § 391-08-640, filed 1/31/08, effective 4/1/08. Statutory Authority: RCW 28B.52.080, 41.56.090, 41.59.110, 41.58.050 and 34.05.464. WSR 98-14-112, § 391-08-640, filed 7/1/98, effective 8/1/98.]