

RULE 512 Evidence - Adopted 4/18/72, Amended 11/09/95

I. Oral Evidence

Oral evidence shall be taken only on oath or affirmation.

II. Other Evidence

Each party shall have these rights: to call and examine witnesses; to introduce exhibits; to cross-examine opposing witnesses on any matter relevant to the issues even though such matter was not covered in direct examination; to impeach any witness regardless of which party first called him to testify; and to rebut evidence against him. If respondent does not testify in his own behalf, he may be called and examined as if under cross-examination.

III. Rules of Evidence

The hearing need not be conducted according to technical rules relating to evidence and witnesses. Any relevant evidence shall be admitted if it is evidence on which responsible persons are accustomed to rely in the conduct of serious affairs, regardless of the existence of any common law or statutory rule which might make improper admission of such evidence over objection in civil actions. Hearsay evidence may be used for the purpose of supplementing or explaining any direct evidence, but shall not be sufficient in itself to support a finding unless it would be admissible over objection in civil actions. Rules of privilege shall be effective to the same extent they are now or hereafter may be recognized in civil actions, and irrelevant and unduly repetitious evidence shall be excluded.