

DLI or OAH: Where to file documents related to a dispute

The workers' compensation law was changed June 1, 2018, to specify whether documents related to a dispute must be filed at the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) or the Department of Labor and Industry (DLI). See [Minnesota Statutes § 176.2611, subdivision 3 \(2018\)](#).

Intervention filings

As a result of this law change:

- Motions to Intervene in claims **pending at OAH** must be [eFiled](#) with **OAH** or mailed to OAH at P.O. Box 64620, St. Paul, MN 55164-0620. eFiling instructions are available on the [OAH website](#).
- Motions to Intervene in a medical or rehabilitation administrative conference **pending at DLI** must be filed with **DLI** at P.O. Box 64221, St. Paul, MN 55164-0221.

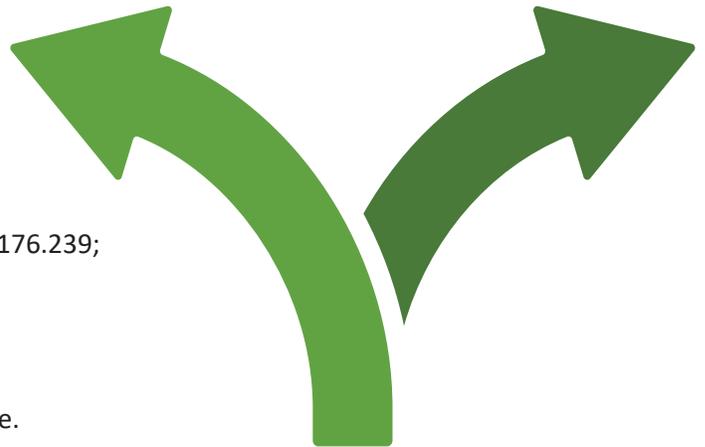
Some intervenors are not aware of this law change and continue to file Motions to Intervene with DLI for claims pending at OAH. Forms that reflect the proper filing location are available on both [DLI's website](#) and [OAH's website](#). If you have not updated your forms, please do.

If you have received notice of your right to intervene in a dispute, but don't know where the dispute is pending, call the attorney who sent you the notice, email OAH at oah.wcefiling@state.mn.us or call DLI at 651-284-5032.

All other filings

The following filings must be filed with **OAH** and not DLI:

- Motions relating to any case pending at OAH;
- Answers;
- Statements of Attorney Fees/Objections;
- Requests for Formal Hearing;
- Claim Petitions (with the exception noted below);
- Discontinuance conference requests under Minn. Stat. § 176.239;
- Asbestos filings;
- OAH Mediation Requests/Responses;
- Petitions for Contribution/Reimbursement;
- Petitions for Temporary Orders; and
- Petitions to Discontinue and Objections to Discontinuance.



The following documents must be filed with **DLI** and not OAH:

- Motions to Intervene in a medical or rehabilitation administrative conference pending at DLI;
- Requests for a medical or rehabilitation administrative conference under Minn. Stat. § 176.106 and related documents, regardless of the amount in dispute;
- Requests for medical or rehabilitation dispute certification under Minn. Stat. § 176.081, subd. 1(c), and related documents;
- Claim Petitions that only identify medical or rehabilitation issues, unless primary liability is disputed;
- Objections to penalties assessed by DLI;
- Requests for mediation at DLI, and responses to the mediation request; and
- Any other document required to be filed with the commissioner under Minn. Stat. ch. 176, such as Notices of Intention to Discontinue Workers' Compensation Benefits (NOIDs) under Minn. Stat. § 176.238, subd. 1, First Reports of Injury, Notices of Insurer's Primary Liability Determination, Notices of Benefit Payment, documents related to vocational rehabilitation plans and other required forms.

Forms

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Questions?

If you need help, call DLI at 651-284-5032 or email OAH at oah.wcefiling@state.mn.us. This inbox is staffed consistently during OAH business hours to ensure you will receive a quick response.