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## An Act To Clarify the Method of Appealing Decisions of the Executive Director of the Maine Commission on Indigent Legal Services

## Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

- **Sec. 1. 4 MRSA §1804, sub-§3, ¶J,** as enacted by PL 2009, c. 419, §2, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:
  - J. Develop an administrative review and appeal process for attorneys who are aggrieved by a decision of the executive director, or the executive director's designee, determining:
    - (1) Whether an attorney meets the minimum eligibility requirements to receive assignments or to receive assignments in specialized case types pursuant to any commission rule setting forth eligibility requirements;
    - (2) Whether an attorney previously found eligible is no longer eligible to receive assignments or to receive assignments in specialized case types pursuant to any commission rule setting forth eligibility requirements; and
    - (3) Whether to grant or withhold a waiver of the eligibility requirements set forth in any commission rule.

All decisions of the commission, including decisions on appeals under subparagraphs (1), (2) and (3), constitute final agency action. All decisions of the executive director, or the executive director's designee, other than decisions appealable under subparagraphs (1), (2) and (3), constitute final agency action.

Effective 90 days following adjournment of the 125th Legislature, First Regular Session, unless otherwise indicated.