

**INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION  
APPROVAL ORDER**

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held November 6, 2014

John F. Mizner, Esq., Chairman  
George D. Bedwick, Vice Chairman  
W. Russell Faber  
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Regulation No. 12-99 (#3047)  
Department of Labor and Industry  
Special Rules of Administrative Practice and  
Procedure Before the Workers' Compensation  
Appeal Board and Workers' Compensation  
Judges

On February 10, 2014, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the Department of Labor and Industry (Department). This rulemaking amends 34 Pa. Code (Chapters 111 and 131). The proposed regulation was published in the February 22, 2014 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 30-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on September 30, 2014.

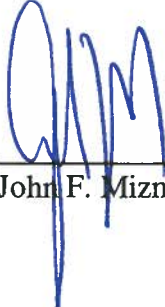
This regulation clarifies and updates requirements related to practice and procedure and litigation to better coordinate procedures involving the Workers' Compensation Appeal Board, workers' compensation judges and the Office of Adjudication.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Department (77 P.S. §§ 710, 991(a) and (c) and 2708) and the intention of the General Assembly. Having considered all of the other criteria of the Regulatory Review Act, we find promulgation of this regulation is in the public interest.

**BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:**

This regulation is approved.



  
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John F. Mizner, Esq., Chairman