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**VIDEO HEARING TRAINING OPPORTUNITY**

To the members of Wisconsin's Worker's Compensation legal community:

In addition to scheduling in-person hearings in Madison and Milwaukee, the Office of Worker's Compensation Hearings (OWCH) has been scheduling hearings by video when deemed appropriate. OWCH feels strongly that the ability to hold hearings by video provides greater access to hearings to parties throughout the State, more flexibility for the participants, and will allow us to schedule more hearings in a shorter period of time.

Some of you may have already participated in a video hearing. For those you who have not yet participated and are interested in learning more about the video hearing process, OWCH is offering weekly training session. Two training sessions will be scheduled every Friday, starting February 26, 2021; we will hold one session from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., and another session from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. We particularly encourage attorneys who regularly practice outside of the Milwaukee and Madison areas to participate in the sessions.<sup>1</sup> Each session will accommodate 2-3 attorneys and will be headed by at least one administrative law judge familiar with the video hearing platform. Participants will be chosen on a first come first serve basis.

If you would like to reserve a training time for yourself, or with a specific group of 2-3 attorneys, please contact Administrative Law Judge Bero-Lehmann, preferably by e-mail, at [colleen.berolehmann@wisconsin.gov](mailto:colleen.berolehmann@wisconsin.gov). She can also be reached at 608-261-6552. Please note that we will be seeking approval for 1 Law Practice Management (LPM) continuing education credit for each session.

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<sup>1</sup> Please note that our offering of hearing by video is not an indication as to whether we will be reopening hearing rooms in cities other than Madison and Milwaukee. OWCH intends to reopen hearing rooms at various locations across the State as soon as it is deemed reasonable to do so.