**Section 395.312 Postponement or Continuance of Hearing**

Postponement or continuances of hearings shall be granted by order of the Board for good cause shown in writing. Good cause shall be the inability to attend the hearing at the date and time set by the Board for a cause beyond the control of the party, such as the unavoidable absence of a party, his or her attorney or material witness, or the serious illness or death of a witness or party. The Board shall re-set the hearing for a continued case unless the parties request that the Board decide the appeal based on the evidence in the record without a formal hearing. Notwithstanding any continuance, the Board shall issue, whenever possible, a final decision within 120 days after the Initial Pleading is filed. The Board may extend the time by which it will render a decision when circumstances outside the Board's control make it infeasible for the Board to render a decision within 120 days.

(Source: Amended at 38 Ill. Reg. 3596, effective January 21, 2014)