**Section 104.240 Conduct of Hearings**

a) The hearing shall be conducted by an attorney designated by the Director as a hearing officer.

b) The hearing shall be open to such persons as the hearing officer deems necessary and proper for its orderly and efficient conduct.

c) The hearing officer shall inquire fully into the matters at issue and shall receive testimony of witnesses and any other evidence which is relevant and material to the issues presented. The hearing officer shall determine the order in which evidence is taken and the procedure at the hearing.

(Source: Amended at 2 Ill. Reg. 33, p. 57, effective August 17, 1978)