**Section 3000.1150 Sanctions and Penalties**

a) The hearing officer may impose sanctions and penalties if the hearing officer finds that a party has acted in bad faith, for the purpose of delay, or has otherwise abused the hearing process. Such sanctions and penalties include but are not limited to default judgment or directed finding on one or more issues.

b) If a licensee fails to testify on his own behalf with respect to any question propounded to him, the hearing officer may infer therefrom that such testimony or answer would have been adverse to the licensee's case.

c) Failure of a licensee to appear at a hearing shall constitute an admission of all matters and facts contained in the complaint. In such cases the hearing officer may take action based upon such admission or upon any other evidence, including affidavits, without any further notice to the licensee.

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