

# WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §16b-2-3

## **§16B-2-3. Board of Review; subpoena powers.**

(a) The Inspector General and the Chair of the Board of Review may subpoena witnesses, papers, records, documents and any other information or data it considers necessary for its determination. They shall issue all subpoenas and subpoenas duces tecum in the name of the appropriate entity.

(b) Requests for subpoenas and subpoenas duces tecum shall be in writing and shall contain a statement acknowledging that the requesting party agrees to pay all fees for the attendance and travel of witnesses.

(c) A subpoena or subpoena duces tecum issued at the request of an entity shall be served by the party at least five days before the return date, either by personal service by a person over 18 years of age or by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested. If service is by mail, the five-day notice period shall not begin until the date the person or entity receives the subpoena or subpoena duces tecum.

(d) Fees for the attendance of witnesses are the same as for witnesses before the circuit court of this State and shall be paid by the party requesting the issuance of the subpoena or subpoena duces tecum.

(e) In any case of disobedience or neglect of any subpoena or subpoena duces tecum, or any refusal of a witness to testify to any matter regarding which he or she may be lawfully interrogated, the issuing entity may apply to the Circuit Court of Kanawha County, and the court shall compel obedience through the same manner as a subpoena or subpoena duces tecum is enforced in Kanawha County Circuit Court.