

**283—5.2 (17A) Definitions.** Except where otherwise specifically defined by law:

*“Contested case”* means a proceeding defined by Iowa Code section 17A.2(5) and includes any matter defined as a no factual dispute contested case under Iowa Code section 17A.10A.

*“Issuance”* means the date of mailing of a decision or order or date of delivery if service is by other means unless another date is specified in the order.

*“Party”* means each person or agency named or admitted as a party or properly seeking and entitled as of right to be admitted as a party.

*“Presiding officer”* means the executive director.

*“Proposed decision”* means the presiding officer’s recommended findings of fact, conclusions of law, decision, and order in a contested case in which the college student aid commission did not preside.