

allow an appeal from such decision on application filed within such time by any party entitled to notice of such decision. An appeal filed by any such party shall be allowed as of right if the examiner's determination was not affirmed by the [referee] ADMINISTRATIVE-LAW-JUDGE HEARING EXAMINER. Upon review on its own motion or upon appeal, the Board of Appeals may on the basis of the evidence previously submitted in such case, or upon the basis of such evidence as it may direct be taken, affirm, modify or reverse the findings and conclusions of the [referee] ADMINISTRATIVE--LAW--JUDGE HEARING EXAMINER or special examiner. The Board of Appeals may remove to itself or transfer to another [referee] ADMINISTRATIVE---LAW---JUDGE HEARING EXAMINER the proceedings on any pending claim. Any proceeding so removed or appealed to the Board of Appeals shall be heard by a quorum thereof. The Board of Appeals shall promptly notify the parties to any proceeding before it of its decision, including its findings and conclusions in support thereof, and such decision shall be final within ten days after the mailing of notice thereof to the party's last known address or, in the absence of such mailing, within ten days after the delivery of such notice, and judicial review thereof shall be permitted the claimant or any interested party claiming to be aggrieved thereby as provided in subsection (h) of this section: Provided, however, that upon denial by the Board of Appeals of an application for appeal from the decision of [a referee] AN-ADMINISTRATIVE-LAW-JUDGE A HEARING EXAMINER or determination of a special examiner, such decision or determination shall be deemed to be the decision of the Board of Appeals within the meaning of this subsection for the purposes of judicial review and shall be subject to judicial review within the time and in the manner provided for with respect to decisions of the Board of Appeals, except that the time for initiating such review shall run from the date of notice of the order of the Board of Appeals denying the application for appeal.

(g) The Board of Appeals, [referee] ADMINISTRATIVE--LAW JUDGE HEARING EXAMINER and special examiners shall not be bound by common-law or statutory rules of evidence or by technical rules of procedure, but any such hearing or appeal shall be conducted in such manner as to ascertain the substantial rights of the parties. The Board of Appeals shall adopt reasonable regulations governing the manner of filing appeals and the conduct of hearings and appeals, consistent with the provisions of this article. When the same or substantially similar evidence is relevant and material to the matters in issue in claims by more than one individual or in claims by a single individual with respect to two or more weeks of unemployment, the same time and place for considering each such claim may be fixed, hearings thereon jointly conducted, a single record of the proceedings made, and evidence introduced with respect to one proceeding considered as introduced in the others, provided that in the judgment of the examiner, special examiner, [referee] ADMINISTRATIVE--LAW--JUDGE HEARING EXAMINER or Board of Appeals having jurisdiction of the proceeding, such consolidation would not be prejudicial to any party. No person shall participate on behalf of the Board of Appeals in any case in which he has a