

1 **Rule 15-1105. Selection of the arbitration panel; additional claims.**

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3 (a) Designation of panel composition. When the Committee has on file the agreement to  
4 arbitrate duly signed by all parties, and the petition and the answer, the chair or his designee shall  
5 designate from the Committee three persons to serve as a panel for the arbitration. Each panel  
6 shall consist of one lawyer licensed to practice law in Utah, one state or federal judge, and one  
7 non-lawyer. The chair or his designee, by written notice served personally or by mail to all  
8 parties to the arbitration, shall inform the parties of the names of the designated panel members.  
9 The chair shall designate the lawyer or the judge in each panel as the chair of the panel. The  
10 chair or his designee may request the panel chair to designate the non-lawyer member of the  
11 panel.

12 (b) Less than \$3,000 in controversy. Notwithstanding the provisions contained in paragraph  
13 (a), the chair or his designee shall designate from the Committee an arbitration panel consisting  
14 of one lawyer in those arbitration proceedings in which the amount in controversy is less than  
15 \$3,000.

16 (c) Assigning file. When the composition of the panel has been determined, the chair shall  
17 assign the file to the member(s) of the arbitration panel.

18 (d) New claims. If new claims not set forth in the petition are raised by a respondent's answer  
19 or by other documents in the arbitration, the consent of the petitioner to the panel's consideration  
20 of such new claims shall not be required.

21 (e) Conflict of interest. As soon as practical, an arbitrator shall notify the Committee of any  
22 conflict of interest with a party to the arbitration as defined by the Utah Rules of Professional  
23 Conduct. Upon notification of the conflict, the Committee shall appoint a replacement from the  
24 list of approved arbitrators.