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**Subject**            **Legal Representation at Petroleum Storage Tank Fund Protest Hearings**  
**Adopted**           **4/16/2010**

Only licensed attorneys are authorized to practice law. The practice of law includes representation of others in adjudicative proceedings before administrative agencies. Petroleum Storage Tank Fund Protest Hearings are adjudicative proceedings. Therefore, consistent with Colorado law's limitations on the unauthorized practice of law, individual owners and sole proprietors may represent themselves at Fund Protest hearings. Officers and general partners of closely held entities with three or less owners may represent the closely held entity at Protest hearings if the amount in controversy is less than \$10,000 and the officer or general partner provides adequate proof of authority to appear on behalf of the entity at or before the hearing. All others must be represented by a licensed attorney.