

JR6-2-307 Attorney fees and costs.

- (1) A person filing a complaint under this title:
 - (a) may, but is not required to, retain legal representation during the complaint review process;
and
 - (b) is responsible for payment of complainants' attorney fees and costs incurred.
- (2)
 - (a) A legislator against whom a complaint is filed under this title:
 - (i) may, but is not required to, retain legal representation during the complaint review process;
and
 - (ii) is responsible for that legislator's own attorney fees and costs involved, except as provided in Subsection (2)(b).
 - (b) The Senate, for a senator, or the House of Representatives, for a representative, shall pay the reasonable attorney fees and costs incurred by a legislator against whom a complaint is filed under this title if:
 - (i) the commission declines to recommend that any allegation in the complaint be reviewed by an ethics committee; or
 - (ii) an ethics committee determines that none of the allegations in the complaint that were recommended for review by the commission have been proved.
- (3)
 - (a) An attorney participating in a hearing before the commission or an ethics committee shall comply with:
 - (i) the rules of professional conduct established by the Utah Supreme Court;
 - (ii) the procedures and requirements of this title; and
 - (iii) the directions of the chairs, commission, and ethics committees.
 - (b) Violations of Subsection (3)(a) may constitute:
 - (i) contempt of the Legislature under JR6-2-304; or
 - (ii) a violation of the rules of professional conduct subject to enforcement by the Utah State Bar.