

The ground for dismissal ignores my efforts to connect:

- The conference call automation reported that, "...there are three parties in the conference, including [me]..."
- I was on-hold for approximately twenty-five minutes.
- Afterwards, I frantically searched for the ALJ's phone number, and had dialed several before finally dialing the correct number.
- Mary Swarner, the legal assistant to ALJ Mary Long, had answered the phone. Our conversation had occurred sometime between 10:45 AM and 11:05 AM
- She had reassured me that my not having been patched-in to the hearing, "...was just a fluke ...and reflected no deliberateness on their part...". She then recommended that I immediately email ALJ Mary Long, plus include every email address of all legal counsel for the utility company. She was patient while clearly instructing what I should mention in the email. (Please refer to the attached copy of the email.)
- Email sent to ALJ and legal counsel, by 11:35 AM

I, Karen Truax, therefore am appealing their decision for dismissal.

By all appearances, the move for dismissal overtly indicates that my in propria persona participation and effort to apprise is all for nought. In short, nothing I did was acknowledged as having any value.