## 2770.4600 COMPANION CLAIMS.

Where there are companion claims arising out of the same accident arbitrated together pursuant to part 2770.4500, subpart 1, only one filing is necessary to determine the issue of liability as to the drivers of the respective vehicles. A panel's decision on this issue is res judicata on the liability issue in all companion matters involving the same companies within the jurisdiction of these rules, except as to special defenses arising in the companion claim or suit.

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