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**(a)** Pursuant to Judiciary Law § 35 or any other statute, rule or regulation providing for additional opinion the director shall assist in obtaining, through a panel or otherwise, such additional opinion.

**(b)** No psychiatrist, psychologist, physician or other expert shall be appointed by the court if he or she is disqualified under provisions of the Mental Hygiene Law or if he or she is employed at the institution in which the patient is hospitalized or residing or to which the patient may be transferred as a result of the proceeding in which the expert is to render his or her opinion.