

Equal Opportunity is the Law

It is against the law for this recipient of Federal financial assistance to discriminate on the following bases: Against any individual in the United States, on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, political affiliation or belief; and Against any beneficiary of programs financially assisted under Title I of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (WIA), on the basis of the beneficiary's citizenship/status as a lawfully admitted immigrant authorized to work in the United States, or his or her participation in any WIA Title I-financially assisted program or activity. The recipient must not discriminate in any of the following areas: Deciding who will be admitted, or have access, to any WIA Title I-financially assisted program or activity; Providing opportunities in, or treating any person with regard to, such a program or activity; or Making employment decisions in the administration of, or in connection with, such a program or activity.

What to do if you believe you have experienced discrimination

If you think that you have been subjected to discrimination under a WIA Title I-financially assisted program or activity, you may file a complaint within 180 days from the date of the alleged violation with either:

Special Hagan, LWIA EO Officer
Department of Small Business Services
110 William Street - 8th Floor
New York, New York 10038
Email: shagan@sbs.nyc.gov
(Voice): (212) 618-6719
TDD/TTY: (212) 513-6306

-OR-

Andrew Adams, Director
Division of Equal Opportunity Development
New York State Department of Labor
State Office Campus,
Building 12, Rm 540
Albany, New York 12240
Email: usaada@labor.state.ny.us
(Voice): (518)-457-1984
TDD/TTY: 1-800-421-1220

Or you may file a complaint directly with:

Director,
Civil Rights Center (CRC)
U.S. Department of Labor
200 Constitution Avenue, NW
Room N-4123
Washington, D.C. 20210

If you file your complaint with the recipient, you must wait either until the recipient issues a written Notice of Final Action, or until 90 days have passed (whichever is sooner), before filing with the Civil Rights Center (see address above).

If the recipient does not give you a written Notice of Final Action within 90 days of the day on which you filed your complaint, you do not have to wait for the recipient to issue that Notice before filing a complaint with CRC. However, you must file your CRC complaint within 30 days of the 90-day deadline (in other words, within 120 days after the day on which you filed your complaint with the recipient).

If the recipient does give you a written Notice of Final Action on your complaint, but you are dissatisfied with the decision or resolution, you may file a complaint with CRC. You must file your CRC complaint within 30 days of the date on which you received the Notice of Final Action. To file a complaint you should complete the attached Complaint Information Form (CIF Form) and mail it to either the Department of Small Business Services or the Civil Rights Center. If you choose not to use the CIF Form, your complaint must be in writing and contain the following information: name of complainant; complainant's address (or other means of contacting complainant); the identity of the respondent (the individual or entity that complainant alleges is responsible for the discrimination); a detailed description of the events that the complainant alleges were discriminatory; and the complainant's signature or the signature of the complainant's authorized representative.

Equal Opportunity Employer/Program. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities.

Notice of Rights



New York City Department
of Small Business Services
www.nyc.gov/sbs

Complainant's Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Social Security Number: _____
(disclosure of SS# is voluntary)

Respondent's Information

In the space provided, list the name of the individual(s) and the location of the alleged discriminatory incident (if more space is needed attach additional sheet(s)).

Provide the date the first incident took place:

Date of Most Recent Occurrence: _____

To the best of your knowledge which of the following Department of Labor programs were involved in the alleged discrimination?

- Workforce1 Career Center
- Unemployment Insurance
- Employment Service
- Trade Adjustments
- Older Americans

Basis of Complaint

Which of the following best describes why you believe you were discriminated against? (Please specify)

Basis for Discrimination Please Specify

- Race _____
- Color _____
- Religion _____
- National Origin _____
- Sex Male Female
- Age D.O.B. _____
- Disability _____
- Political Affiliation _____
- Citizenship _____

Do you think the discrimination against you effected: (check one)

- Your job or job search
- OR-
- Your use of the facilities or someone providing/ not providing you with services or benefits.

Explain as briefly and as clearly as possible what happened and how you were discriminated against. Be sure to indicate who was involved and how other persons were treated differently from you. If necessary, you may also attach additional written material pertaining to your case.

What other information do you think is relevant to our investigation?

If this complaint is resolved to your satisfaction what remedies do you seek?

Please list any persons (witnesses, fellow employees, supervisors, or others) that we may contact for additional information to further support your response (if necessary feel free to attach additional written material).

Have you filed a case or complaint with any of the following?

- Civil Rights Division, U.S. Department of Justice
- U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
- Federal or State Court
- Your State or local human relations/rights commission

For each item checked above, please provide the following information (if you have checked more than one attach additional pages).

Agency:	Location of agency or court:
Date Filed:	Name of Investigator:
Case or Docket Number:	Status of Case:

Signature

Date