Housing Discrimination Complaint

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity

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Public Reporting Burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 1 hour per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

Read this entire form and all the instructions carefully before completing. All questions should be answered. However, if you do not know the answer or if a question is not applicable, leave the question unanswered and fill out as much of the form as you can. Your complaint should be signed and dated. Where more than one individual or organization is filing the same complaint, and all information is the same, each additional individual or organization should complete boxes 1 and 7 of a separate complaint form and attach it to the original form. Complaints may be presented in person or mailed to the HUD State Office covering the State where the complaint arose (see list on back of form), or any local HUD Office, or to the Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, U.S. Department of HUD, Washington, D.C. 20410.

This section is for HUD use only.

Number	(Check the applicable box)	Jurisdiction	Signature of HUD personnel who established Jurisdiction
	☐ Referral & Agency (specify)	☐ Yes ☐ No	
Filing Date	☐ Systemic	☐ Additional Info	
	☐ Military Referral		

1. Name of Aggrieved Person or Organization (last name, first name, middle initial) (Mr.,Mrs.,Miss,Ms.) | Home Phone | Business Phone

Street Address (city, county, State & zip code)

2. Against Whom is this complaint being filed? (last name, first name, middle initial) | Phone Number

Street Address (city, county, State & zip code)

Check the applicable box or boxes which describe(s) the party named above:

☐ Builder ☐ Owner ☐ Broker ☐ Salesperson ☐ Supt. or Manager ☐ Bank or Other Lender ☐ Other

If you named an individual above who appeared to be acting for a company in this case, check this box ☐ and write the name and address of the company in this space:

Name: | Address

Name and identify others (if any) you believe violated the law in this case:

3. What did the person you are complaining against do? Check all that apply and give the most recent date these act(s) occurred in block No. 6a below.

☐ Refuse to rent, sell, or deal with you
☐ Falsely deny housing was available
☐ Engage in blockbusting
☐ Discriminate in broker's services
☐ Discriminate in the conditions or terms of sale, rental occupancy, or in services or facilities
☐ Advertise in a discriminatory way
☐ Discriminate in financing
☐ Intimidated, interfered, or coerced you to keep you from the full benefit of the Federal Fair Housing Law
☐ Other (explain)

4. Do you believe that you were discriminated against because of your race, color, religion, sex, handicap, the presence of children under 18, or a pregnant female in the family or your national origin? Check all that apply.

☐ Race or Color	☐ Religion	☐ Sex	☐ Handicap	☐ Familial Status	☐ National Origin
☐ Black	(specify)	☐ Male	☐ Physical	☐ Presence of children under 18 in the family	☐ Hispanic ☐ American ☐ Other
☐ White		☐ Female	☐ Mental	☐ Pregnant female	☐ Asian or Pacific Islander ☐ Indian or Alaskan Native (specify)
☐ Other					

5. What kind of house or property was involved?	Did the owner live there?	Is the house or property	What is the address of the house or property?
☐ Single-family house	☐ Yes	☐ Being sold?	(street, city, county, State & zip code)
☐ A house or building for 2, 3, or 4 families	☐ No	☐ Being rented?	
☐ A building for 5 families or more	☐ Unknown		
☐ Other, including vacant land held for residential use (explain)			

6. Summarize in your own words what happened. Use this space for a brief and concise statement of the facts. Additional details may be submitted on an attachment.
Note: HUD will furnish a copy of the complaint to the person or organization against whom the complaint is made.

6a. When did the act(s) checked in Item 3 occur? (Include the most recent date if several dates are involved)

7. I declare under penalty of perjury that I have read this complaint (including any attachments) and that it is true and correct. | Signature & Date

What Does the Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988 Provide?

The Fair Housing Act declares that it is national policy to provide fair housing throughout the United States and prohibits eight specific kinds of discriminatory acts regarding housing if the discrimination is based on race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin.

1. Refusal to sell or rent or otherwise deal with a person.
2. Discriminating in the conditions or terms of sale, rental, or occupancy.
3. Falsely denying housing is available.
4. "Blockbusting"—causing person(s) to sell or rent by telling them that members of a minority group are moving into the area.
6. Discrimination in financing housing by a bank, savings and loan association, or other business.
7. Denial of membership or participation in brokerage, multiple listing, or other real estate services.
8. Interference, coercion, threats or intimidation to keep a person from obtaining the full benefits of the Federal Fair Housing Law and/or filing a complaint.

What Does the Law Exempt?

The first three acts listed above do not apply (1) to any single family house where the owner in certain circumstances does not seek to rent or sell it through the use of a broker or through discriminatory advertising, nor (2) to units in houses for two-to-four families if the owner lives in one of the units.

What Can You Do About Violations of the Law?

Remember, the Fair Housing Act applies to discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, or national origin. If you believe you have been or are about to be, discriminated against or otherwise harmed by the kinds of discriminatory acts which are prohibited by law, you have a right, within 1 year after the discrimination occurred to:

1. **Complain to the Secretary of HUD** by filing this form by mail or in person. HUD will investigate. If it finds the complaint is covered by the law and is justified, it will try to end the discrimination by conciliation. If conciliation fails, other steps will be taken to enforce the law. In cases where State or local laws give the same rights as the Federal Fair Housing Law, HUD must first ask the State or local agency to try to resolve the problem.
2. **Go directly to Court** even if you have not filed a complaint with the Secretary. The Court may sometimes be able to give quicker, more effective, relief than conciliation can provide and may also, in certain cases, appoint an attorney for you (without cost).

   You Should Also Report All Information about violations of the Fair Housing Act to HUD even though you don't intend to complain or go to court yourself.

   Additional Details. If you wish to explain in detail in an attachment what happened, you should consider the following:

   1. If you fee that others were treated differently from you, please explain the facts and circumstances.
   2. If there were witnesses or others who know what happened, give their names, addresses, and telephone numbers.
   3. If you have made this complaint to other government agencies or to the courts, state when and where and explain what happened.

Racial/Ethnic Categories

1. **White (Non Hispanic)**—A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, North Africa, or the Middle East.
2. **Black (Non Hispanic)**—A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.
3. **Hispanic**—A person of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American or other Spanish Culture or origin, regardless of race.
4. **American Indian or Alaskan Native**—A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North America, and who maintains, cultural identification through tribal affiliation or community recognition.
5. **Asian or Pacific Islander**—A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian Subcontinent, or the Pacific Islands. This area includes, for example, China, Japan, Korea, the Philippine Islands, and Samoa.

You can obtain assistance (a) in learning about the Fair Housing Act, or (b) in filing a complaint at the HUD Regional Offices listed below:

For Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont:

NEW ENGLAND OFFICE *(Marcella_Brown@hud.gov)*

Fair Housing Enforcement Center
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr. Federal Building
10 Causeway Street, Room 321
Boston, MA 02222-1092
Telephone (617) 994-8300 or 1-800-827-5005
Fax (617) 565-7313 • TTY (617) 565-5453

For New Jersey and New York

New York/New Jersey Office (Stanley_Seidenfeld@hud.gov)
Fair Housing Enforcement Center
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
26 Federal Plaza, Room 3532
New York, NY 10278-0068
Telephone (212) 264-1290 or 1-800-496-4294
Fax (212) 264-9829 • TTY (212) 264-0927

For Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and West Virginia

MID-ATLANTIC OFFICE *(Wanda_Nieves@hud.gov)*
Fair Housing Enforcement Center
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
The Wanamaker Building
100 Penn Square East
Philadelphia, PA 19107-9344
Telephone (215) 656-0662 or 1-888-799-2085
Fax (215) 656-3419 • TTY (215) 656-3450

For Alabama, the Caribbean, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee:

SOUTHEAST/CARIBBEAN OFFICE
(Gregory_L._King@hud.gov)

Fair Housing Enforcement Center
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Five Points Plaza
40 Marietta Street, 16th Floor
Atlanta, GA 30303-2806
Telephone (404) 331-5140 or 1-800-440-8091
Fax (404) 331-1021 • TTY (404) 730-2654

For Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, and Wisconsin:

MIDWEST OFFICE (Barbara_Knox@hud.gov)
Fair Housing Enforcement Center
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Ralph H. Metcalfe Federal Building
77 West Jackson Boulevard, Room 2101
Chicago, IL 60604-3507
Telephone (312) 353-7776 or 1-800-765-9372
Fax (312) 886-2837 • TTY (312) 353-7143

For Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas:

SOUTHWEST OFFICE ***(Thurman G. Miles@hud.gov or Garry_L._Sweeney@hud.gov)***

Fair Housing Enforcement Center
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
801 North Cherry, 27th Floor
Fort Worth, TX 76102
Telephone (817) 978-5900 or 1-888-560-8913
Fax (817) 978-5876 or 5851 • TTY (817) 978-5595

For Iowa, Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska:

GREAT PLAINS OFFICE ***(Robbie_Herndon@hud.gov)***

Fair Housing Enforcement Center
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Gateway Tower II
400 State Avenue, Room 200, 4th Floor
Kansas City, KS 66101-2406
Telephone (913) 551-6958 or 1-800-743-5323
Fax (913) 551-6856 • TTY (913) 551-6972

For Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, and Wyoming:

ROCKY MOUNTAINS OFFICE ***(Sharon_L. _Santoya@hud.gov)***

Fair Housing Enforcement Center
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
633 17th Street
Denver, CO 80202-3690
Telephone (303) 672-5437 or 1-800-877-7353
Fax (303) 672-5026 • TTY (303) 672-5248

For Arizona, California, Hawaii, and Nevada:

PACIFIC/HAWAII OFFICE ***(Charles_Hauptman@hud.gov)***

Fair Housing Enforcement Center
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Phillip Burton Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse
450 Golden Gate Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102-3448
Telephone (415) 436-8400 or 1-800-347-3739
Fax (415) 436-8537 • TTY (415) 436-6594

For Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, and Washington:

NORTHWEST/ALASKA OFFICE ***(Judith_Keeler@hud.gov)***

Fair Housing Enforcement Center
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Seattle Federal Office Building
909 First Avenue, Room 205
Seattle, WA 98104-1000
Telephone (206) 220-5170 or 1-800-877-0246
Fax (206) 220-5447 • TTY (206) 220-5185

If after contacting the local office nearest you, you still have questions – you may contact HUD further at*:*

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity
451 7th Street, S.W., Room 5204
Washington, DC 20410-2000
Telephone (202) 708-0836 or 1-800-669-9777
Fax (202) 708-1425 • TTY 1-800-927-9275

Privacy Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-579)

Authority: Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as amended by the Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988, (P.L. 100-430).

Purpose: The information requested on this form is to be used to investigate and to process housing discrimination complaints.

Use: The information may be disclosed to the United States Department of Justice for its use in the filing of pattern or practice suits of housing discrimination or the prosecution of the person who committed the discrimination where violence is involved; and to state or local fair housing agencies which administer substantially equivalent fair housing laws for complaint processing.

Penalty: Failure to provide some or all of the requested information will result in delay or denial of HUD assistance.

Disclosure of this information is voluntary.

For further information call the Toll-free Fair Housing Complaint Hotline 1-800-669-9777.
Hearing Impaired persons may call (TDD) 1-800-927-9275.