



Department of Fair Employment & Housing

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GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE UNDER THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

This Grievance Procedure is established to meet the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ("ADA"). It may be used by anyone who wishes to file a complaint alleging discrimination on the basis of disability in the provision of services, activities, programs, or benefits by the Department of Fair Employment and Housing (DFEH). DFEH's Personnel Policy governs employment-related complaints of disability discrimination.

The complaint should be in writing and contain information about the alleged discrimination, such as the name, address, and phone number of the complainant, and the location, date, and description of the problem. Alternative means of filing complaints, such as personal interviews or a recording of the complaint, will be made available for persons with relevant disabilities upon request.

The complaint should be submitted by the grievant and/or their designee as soon as possible but no later than 60 calendar days after the alleged violation to:

Mimi deVille, DFEH ADA Coordinator
Department of Fair Employment and Housing
2218 Kausen Drive, Suite 100
Elk Grove, CA 95758;
accommodations@dfeh.ca.gov ;

ADA Accommodations: 844-541-2877 (voice), 800-700-2320 (TTY) or California's Relay Service at 711

Within 15 calendar days after receipt of the complaint, Mimi deVille or her designee will communicate directly with the complainant to discuss the complaint and the possible resolutions. Within 15 calendar days of the meeting, Mimi deVille or her designee will respond in writing, and where appropriate, in a format accessible to the complainant, such as large print, Braille, or audio tape. The response will explain the position of DFEH and offer options for substantive resolution of the complaint.

If the response by Mimi deVille or her designee does not satisfactorily resolve the issue, the complainant and/or their designee may appeal the decision within 15 calendar days after receipt of the response to **Quality Assurance & Reporting Unit Manager, Brenda Valle-Balderrama** or her designee, contact.center@dfeh.ca.gov.

Within 15 calendar days after receipt of the appeal, Brenda Valle-Balderrama or her designee will meet by phone, or otherwise, with the complainant to discuss the complaint and possible resolutions. Within 15 calendar days after the meeting, Brenda Valle-Balderrama or her designee will respond in writing, and where appropriate, in a format accessible to the complainant, with a final resolution of the complaint.

All written complaints received by the ADA Coordinator, Mimi deVille or her designee, appeals to the Quality Assurance & Reporting Unit Manager, Brenda Valle-Balderrama or her designee, and responses from these two offices will be retained by the DFEH for at least three years.