



U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Region IV Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity
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Atlanta, Georgia 30303-3490

U.S. MAIL

February 7, 2025

Charity Mainville
4304 Presley Court, Unit A
Raleigh, NC 27604

Dear Ms. Mainville:

Subject: Processing Office: North Carolina Human Relations Commission
Case Number: 04-24-7282-8
FHAP Case Number: 787067

Please be advised that this response is related to the email you sent on January 23, 2025. Our records show that your complaint was filed with the subject processing office on August 29, 2024.

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has certified the subject processing office as a "substantially equivalent" agency (SEA). Under Section 810 (f) of the Act, state or local fair housing agencies are deemed substantially equivalent when: (1) that agency has jurisdiction to investigate fair housing complaints under its state or local fair housing law, and (2) HUD has certified the agency as enforcing a law that it has deemed to be "substantially equivalent" to the Act.

Once a complaint is with an SEA for investigation, HUD may take no further action with respect to the complaint unless the agency explicitly waives its jurisdiction to investigate, or HUD determines that a complaint has not been processed in a timely manner. In this case, HUD determined that the complaint has been processed in a timely manner in accordance with the performance standards set forth in § 115.206. Please be advised if a complaint is dismissed the Complainant can still file a private civil lawsuit against the Respondent in Federal District Court within 2 years of the alleged discriminatory act(s) in accordance with 42.U.S. Code §3613 of the Act. The time that the complaint was with the SEA does not count toward the two-year time limit. I hope the information provided is helpful in addressing your concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alecia Kemp".

Alecia Kemp, GTM/EOS
Region IV, Office of Fair Housing and
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