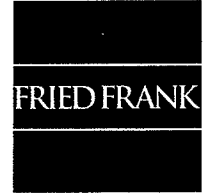


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U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Freedom of Information Act Office
451 7th Street, SW, Room 10139
Washington, DC 20410-3000

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request - Compliance

Dear Freedom of Information Act Officer:

This request is pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA" or "the Act"), 5 U.S.C. § 552. On behalf of our client, the National Commission on Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, we request that the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") provide any and all records, documents, and information sufficient to show:

- For each fiscal year since Fiscal Year 1988, a listing of each case for which HUD filed a fair housing complaint against a recipient of federal financial assistance.
 - For each such complaint, the documents should be sufficient to show:
 - the name of the complainant and respondent;
 - whether the complaint was filed based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status, or disability;
 - whether HUD or a FHAP agency investigated the complaint;
 - whether HUD conducted a complaint investigation or compliance review under another civil rights authority, such as Title VI of the 1964 Civil Rights Act or Section 504 of the 1973 Rehabilitation Act.
 - For each such case that was closed, the documents should be sufficient to show whether the case was closed with an administrative closure, a finding of no reasonable cause, a conciliation agreement, a voluntary compliance agreement or other settlement, or a determination of reasonable cause to believe that the Fair Housing Act was violated.

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- For each fiscal year since Fiscal Year 1988, a listing of each recipient of federal financial assistance from HUD whose funding was suspended, terminated, or formally challenged as a result of a fair housing investigation conducted by HUD.

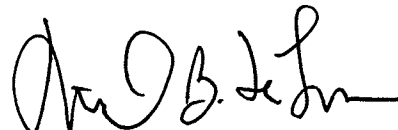
We anticipate that you will respond to the above requests within 20 working days, as specified in the Act. If you believe that is not possible, please contact me by telephone (212-859-8247), and we will attempt to work with you as necessary to facilitate your efforts to comply with the Act in a timely fashion.

If it is determined that any portion of the requested information is exempt from disclosure, we request that, in accordance with 5 U.S.C. § 552(b), all reasonably separable portions of the information or documents requested be provided. It is further requested that all documents or portions thereof for which an exemption is claimed (i) be identified with particularity and (ii) that the rationale supporting the claimed exemption be provided in writing.

The National Commission on Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity is not a commercial use requester, educational institution, or a representative of the news media, and so is an "Other Requester" for purposes of HUD's fees. The National Commission on Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity has submitted nine separate FOIA requests, which should be treated as one request for purposes of fee calculation. The National Commission on Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity agrees to pay all fees that may be incurred in processing these requests, up to a total of \$500. If HUD believes the fees will exceed \$500, please contact me by telephone so that we can discuss with you how we would like to proceed. Once the search and production are complete, please send the bill to us, and it will be paid within one month.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. If you require any additional information or have questions related to the processing of these requests, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best regards,



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