

Your Right to Equal Opportunity

It is against the law for a sponsor of an apprenticeship program registered for Federal purposes to discriminate against an apprenticeship applicant or apprentice based on race, color, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age (40 years or older), genetic information, or disability. The sponsor must ensure equal opportunity with regard to all terms, conditions, and privileges associated with apprenticeship. If you think that you have been subjected to discrimination, you may file a complaint within 300 days from the date of the alleged discrimination or failure to follow the equal opportunity standards with:

U.S. Department of Labor, Office of Apprenticeship:

John Hakala
605 W 4th Avenue, Room G30
Anchorage, AK 99501
Hakala.John@dol.gov
(907) 271-5035

You may also be able to file complaints directly with the EEOC, or State fair employment practices agency. If those offices have jurisdiction over the sponsor/employer, their contact information is listed below:

Federal EEOC, Seattle District Office:

Federal Office Building
909 First Avenue, Suite 400
Seattle, WA 98104

Alaska State Commission for Human Rights:

800 "A" Street, Suite 204
Anchorage, AK 99501
Phone: (907) 276-7474
Fax: (907) 278-8588
TTY: (907) 276-3177

Each complaint filed must be made in writing and include the following information:

1. Complainant's name, address and telephone number, or other means for contacting the complainant;
2. The identity of the respondent (*i.e.* the name, address, and telephone number of the individual or entity that the complainant alleges is responsible for the discrimination);
3. A short description of the events that the complainant believes were discriminatory, including but not limited to when the events took place, what occurred, and why the complainant believes the actions were discriminatory (for example, because of his/her race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, age (40 or older), genetic information, or disability);
4. The complainant's signature or the signature of the complainant's authorized representative.