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# SUNSHINE ORDINANCE TASK FORCE

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### **MEMORANDUM**

October 27, 2009:

ALVIN XEX v. HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY (09063)

### **COMPLAINT**

### THE COMPLAINANT ALLEGES THE FOLLOWING:

Complainant Alvin Xex alleges that he requested public records by 9/15/09 from Pamela Tebo of the Human Services Agency ("HSA") concerning the number of individuals screened and employed under the "Stimulus Jobs Now (Recovery Act)" administered by the City, but HSA failed to respond to his request. Mr. Xex complaint is not entirely clear from the information he provided. However, it appears he requested information on whether HSA monitors employers requesting applicants under the Recovery Act to determine whether they are hiring in a fair and racially non-discriminatory manner. Also he appears to have asked why HSA does not give preference under the Recovery Act program to applicants in categories historically subject to discrimination in hiring.

### **COMPLAINANT FILES COMPLAINT:**

On 9/17/2009, Mr. Xex filed a Complaint against the HSA for its alleged violations of "Sections 67.25, et al." the Sunshine Ordinance.

### JURISDICTION

The HSA is a City department under the San Francisco City Charter and thus the Task Force has jurisdiction over this issue.

### APPLICABLE STATUTORY SECTION(S):

Section 67 of the San Francisco Administrative Code:

Section 67.21 deals with requirements that record custodians provide timely responses to public records requests, including assisting the requester in identifying whether responsive records exist.

Section 67.25 deals with specific categories of public records and the conditions under which they may be released, including personnel records.

Section 67.27 deals with withholding of information by a custodian of records and the requirement that such withholding be justified to the requester in writing.

Sections 6250, et seg. of the Cal. Government Code (the "Public Records Act")

Section 6253 deals with requirements for agencies in responding to a public records request, including "unusual circumstances" that may justify an extension of no more than 14 additional days to respond to the request.

Section 6253.1 deals with requirements for agencies to assist a member of the public in making a focused and effective request for reasonably identifiable records.

Section 6254 deals with records exempt from disclosure, including personnel records

### APPLICABLE CASE LAW:

None.

### ISSUES TO BE DETERMINED

### 1. FACTUAL ISSUES

A. Uncontested Facts: Mr. Xex requested information from HSA concerning hiring of employees under the "Stimulus Jobs Now (Recovery Act). HSA appears to administer the program about which Mr. Xex has made requests.

### B. Contested facts/ Facts in dispute:

Mr. Xex alleges that he received no response to the above requests. HSA alleges that it responded to the same requests by Mr. Xex multiple times. It is unclear whether the agency keeps the information requested, or if so, whether it is in a form readily available for production to a requester.

# QUESTIONS THAT MAY ASSIST IN DETERMINING FACTS:

- Does HSA administer the program in question?
- Does HSA keep the information requested?
- If so, is the information readily available for production to a requester?
- Did HSA respond to the request of Mr. Xex?
- Did HSA direct Mr. Xex to seek the records at some other agency where they are kept?

# LEGAL ISSUES/LEGAL DETERMINATIONS:

 Were sections of the Sunshine Ordinance, Brown Act, and/or California Constitution Article I, Section three violated?

### SUGGESTED ANALYSIS

### Under Section 67.21 of the Ordinance:

- Did the HSA respond to Mr. Xex's request without unreasonable delay?
- Did the HSA respond to Mr. Xex's request within 10 days?
- Did HSA assist Mr. Xex in locating and identifying the records he sought?

### Under Section 6253 of the Public Records Act:

- Did Mr. Xex's request "reasonably describe an identifiable record or records"?
- If so, did HSA "make the records promptly available [ . . . ] upon payment of fees covering direct costs of duplication"?
- Did HSA "within 10 days from receipt of the request, determine whether the request, in whole or in part, seeks copies of disclosable public records in the possession of the agency and [...] promptly notify [Mr. Xex] of the determination and the reasons therefor"?
- If not, did HSA notify Mr. Xex in writing that there were unusual circumstances that justified a longer time to respond to his request and inform him when the response would be completed?
- If so, did the "unusual circumstances" cited come within the allowable categories of this section?

### Under Section 6253.1 of the Public Records Act:

- Did HSA "assist [Mr. Xex to] make a focused and effective request that reasonably describes an identifiable record or records, [...] to the extent reasonable under the circumstances, by assisting him "to identify records and information that are responsive to the request or to the purpose of the request, if stated"?
- Did HSA "assist [Mr. Xex to] make a focused and effective request that reasonably describes an identifiable record or records, [...] to the extent reasonable under the circumstances, by assisting him to "[d]escribe the information technology and physical location in which the records exist"?
- Did HSA "assist [Mr. Xex to] make a focused and effective request that reasonably describes an identifiable record or records, [...] to the extent reasonable under the circumstances, by "[p]rovid[ing] suggestions for overcoming any practical basis for denying access to the records or information sought"?
- Was HSA "unable to identify the requested information after making a reasonable effort to elicit additional clarifying information from [Mr. Xex that would] help identify the record or records"?

### CONCLUSION

THE TASK FORCE FINDS THE FOLLOWING FACTS TO BE TRUE:

THE TASK FORCE FINDS THE ALLEGED VIOLATIONS TO BE TRUE OR NOT TRUE.

# ATTACHED STATUTORY SECTION FROM CHAPTER 67 OF THE SAN FRANCISCO ADMINISTRATIVE CODE UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED

Section 67.21 (a): "Every person having custody of any public record or public information, as defined herein, (hereinafter referred to as a custodian of a public record) shall, at normal times and during normal and reasonable hours of operation, without unreasonable delay, and without requiring an appointment, permit the public record, or any segregable portion of a record, to be inspected and examined by any person and shall furnish one copy thereof upon payment of a reasonable copying charge, not to exceed the lesser of the actual cost or ten cents per page."

Section 67.21 (b): "A custodian of a public record shall, as soon as possible and within ten days following receipt of a request for inspection or copy of a public record, comply with such request. Such request may be delivered to the office of the custodian by the requester orally or in writing by fax, postal delivery, or e-mail. If the custodian believes the record or information requested is not a public record or is exempt, the custodian shall justify withholding any record by demonstrating, in writing as soon as possible and within ten days following receipt of a request, that the record in question is exempt under express provisions of this ordinance."

Section 67.21 (c): "A custodian of a public record shall assist a requester in identifying the existence, form, and nature of any records or information maintained by, available to, or in the custody of the custodian, whether or not the contents of those records are exempt from disclosure and shall, when requested to do so, provide in writing within seven days following receipt of a request, a statement as to the existence, quantity, form and nature of records relating to a particular subject or questions with enough specificity to enable a requester to identify records in order to make a request under (b). A custodian of any public record, when not in possession of the record requested, shall assist a requester in directing a request to the proper office or staff person."

# SECTIONS 6253 ET SEQ. OF THE CAL, GOVERNMENT CODE

Section 6253 provides, in pertinent part:

- (a) Public records are open to inspection at all times during the office hours of the state or local agency and every person has a right to inspect any public record, except as hereafter provided. Any reasonably segregable portion of a record shall be available for inspection by any person requesting the record after deletion of the portions that are exempted by law.
- (b) Except with respect to public records exempt from disclosure by express provisions of law, each state or local agency, upon a request for a copy of records that reasonably describes an identifiable record or records, shall make the records promptly available to any person upon payment of fees covering direct costs of duplication, or a statutory fee if applicable. Upon request, an exact copy shall be provided unless impracticable to do so.
- (c) Each agency, upon a request for a copy of records, shall, within 10 days from receipt of the request, determine whether the request, in whole or in part, seeks copies of disclosable public records in the possession of the agency and shall promptly notify the person making the request of the determination and the reasons therefor. In unusual circumstances, the time limit prescribed in this section may be extended by written notice by the head of the agency or his or her designee to the person making the request, setting forth the reasons for the extension and the date on which a determination is expected to be dispatched. No notice shall specify a date that would result in an extension for more than 14 days. When the agency dispatches the determination, and if the agency determines that the request seeks disclosable public records, the agency shall state the estimated date and time when the records will be made available. As used in this section, "unusual circumstances" means the following, but only to the extent reasonably necessary to the proper processing of the particular request:
- (1) The need to search for and collect the requested records from field facilities or other establishments that are separate from the office processing the request.
- (2) The need to search for, collect, and appropriately examine a voluminous amount of separate and distinct records that are demanded in a single request.
- (3) The need for consultation, which shall be conducted with all practicable speed, with another agency having substantial interest in the determination of the request or among two or more components of the agency having substantial subject matter interest therein.
- (4) The need to compile data, to write programming language or a computer program, or to construct a computer report to extract data.

Section 6253.1 provides, in pertinent part:

- (a) When a member of the public requests to inspect a public record or obtain a copy of a public record, the public agency, in order to assist the member of the public make a focused and effective request that reasonably describes an identifiable record or records, shall do all of the following, to the extent reasonable under the circumstances:
- (1) Assist the member of the public to identify records and information that are responsive to the request or to the purpose of the request, if stated.
- (2) Describe the information technology and physical location in which the records exist.
- (3) Provide suggestions for overcoming any practical basis for denying access to the records or information sought.
- (b) The requirements of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) shall be deemed to have been satisfied if the public agency is unable to identify the requested information after making a reasonable effort to elicit additional clarifying information from the requester that will help identify the record or records.

# THE CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION AS AMENDED BY PROPOSITION 59 IN 2004 PROVIDES FOR OPENNESS IN GOVERNMENT.

### Article I Section 3 provides:

- a) The people have the right to instruct their representative, petition government for redress of grievances, and assemble freely to consult for the common good.
- b)(1) The people have the right of access to information concerning the conduct of the people's business, and therefore, the meetings of public bodies and the writings of public officials and agencies shall be open to public scrutiny.
- 2) A statute, court rule, or other authority, including those in effect on the effective date of this subdivision that limits the right of access shall be adopted with findings demonstrating the interest protect by the limitation and the need for protecting that interest.
- 3) Nothing in this subdivision supersedes or modifies the right of privacy guaranteed by Section 1 or affects the construction of any statute, court rule, or other authority to the extent that it protects that right to privacy, including any statutory procedures governing discovery or disclosure of information concerning the official performance or professional qualifications of a peace officer.
- 4) Nothing in this subdivision supersedes or modifies any provision of this Constitution, including the guarantees that person may not be deprived of life, liberty, or property

without due process of law, or denied equal protection of the laws, as provided by Section 7.

- 5) This subdivision does not repeal or nullify, expressly or by implication, any constitutional or statutory exception to the right of access to public records or meetings or public bodies that is in effect on the effective date of this subdivision, including, but not limited to, any statute protecting the confidentiality of law enforcement and prosecution records.
- 6) Nothing in this subdivision repeals, nullifies, supersedes, or modifies protections for the confidentiality of proceedings and records of the Legislature, the Members of the Legislature, and its employees, committee, and caucuses provided by Section 7 of Article IV, state law, or legislative rules adopted in furtherance of those provisions: nor does it affect the scope of permitted discovery in judicial or administrative proceedings regarding deliberations of the Legislature, the Members of the Legislature, and its employees, committees, and caucuses.



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# SUNSHINE ORDINANCE COMPLAINT

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Name of individual contacted at Department or Commission PEDEDA TELS JAMES
Alleged violation public records access  Alleged violation of public meeting. Date of meeting
Sunshine Ordinance Section 67.35 67.25 6 7 A (If known, please cite specific provision(s) being violated)
Please describe alleged violation. Use additional paper if needed. Please attach any relevant documentation supporting your complaint.
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Do you want a public hearing before the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force? yes  no Do you also want a pre-hearing conference before the Complaint Committee? yes  no
(Optional) <sup>1</sup> Addres
Telephone No E-Mail Address
Date 1 0 / 2 / 59 Signature
I request confidentiality of my personal information. yes  no

07/31/08

NOTICE: PERSONAL INFORMATION THAT YOU PROVIDE MAY BE SUBJECT TO DISCLOSURE UNDER THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC RECORDS ACT AND THE SUNSHINE ORDINANCE, EXCEPT WHEN CONFIDENTIALITY IS SPECIFICALLY REQUESTED. YOU MAY LIST YOUR BUSINESS/OFFICE ADDRESS, TELEPHONE NUMBER AND E-MAIL ADDRESS IN LIEU OF YOUR HOME ADDRESS OR OTHER PERSONAL CONTACT INFORMATION. Complainants can be anonymous as long as the complainant provides a reliable means of contact with the SOTF (Phone number, fax number, or e-mail address).

# Re: Your request for information

From: @aol.com

To: Pamela.Tebo@sfgov.org
Date: Tue, Sep 15, 2009 10:01 am

SUNSKINK REQUEST

Reply: 9/15/09; I need to know (given the clear history of American racial discrimination), the effects of a preference indication, per the California Unruh law as monitored by HSA. Also, if HSA monitors employers requesting applicants per Recovery Act for fair and non-discriminatory hiring. Lastly, some Jobs Now postings clearly indicate "preference," so, give me reasons why HSA will not "prefer" applicants historically (past and present) not hired by white and other employers. Again, I make a Sunshine Laws (67.25, et al) request for data.

Sincerely N.3. Also

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Alvin

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---Original Message----

From: Pamela Tebe < Pamela. Tebo@sfgov.org>

To: @aol.com

Sent: Mon, Sep 14, 2009 5:37 pm Subject: Your request for Information

Dear Mr. Alvin,

I believe you spoke with at least two staff from the Human Services Agency who responded to your questions. For your convenience, I will put in writing our response. Please note, our response is in red.

I understand your questions are in reference to JOBS NOW! Job Announcement, JN 162, Drop In Coordinator/ Receptionist.

1. 'Bilingual person preferred' on the Job Announcement

Why is it preferred and who decides that?

Requirements for specific jobs are determined by the employer seeking employees under the JOBS NOW! program. Other than that, the department has no documents responsive to=2 Othis request.

2. What are the languages preferred?

Language was not specified by employer. Other than that, the department has no documents responsive to this request..

Pamela Tebo/DHS/CCSF@CCSF 10/14/2009 05:44 PM

To SOTF/BOS/SFGOV@SFGOV

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10/07/2009 02:19 PM

To Trent Rhorer/DHS/CCSF@CCSF, Pamela Tebo/DHS/CCSF@CCSF

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A hearing is scheduled with the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force, regarding the above titled complaint, to hear the merits of the complaint and to issue a determination.

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Tuesday, October 27, 2009

Location: City Hall, Room 408

Time:

4:00 P.M.

Complainants: Your attendance is required at this hearing.

Respondents/Departments: Pursuant to Section 67.21 (e) of the Ordinance, attendance by the custodian of records or a representative of your department, who can speak to the matter, is required at the hearing.

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FAX: (415) 554-7724 SOTF@sfgov.org October 20, 2009

Re: Complaint #09061 and Complaint #09063

Dear Chris,

Attached please find copies of email correspondence the Human Services Agency (HSA) had with Alvin Xex.

It is important to note, during the past two months Alvin Xex has called several different HSA staff with the same or similar questions. Our staff provided verbal responses, but Alvin Xex continued to call back claiming no one answered his questions. Our staff felt they provided all the information he requested, therefore, we began providing only written responses to Alvin Xex.

Alvin Xex continued calling different staff with the same or similar questions. If staff answered his calls they would provide verbal information; if staff received a voicemail they would forward it to me and I would respond in writing. However, since Alvin Xex's questions varied from staff to staff and sometimes I received voicemail messages a few days after he left messages, responding to his ongoing requests became increasingly difficult. Therefore on 9/15/09 and again on 10/19/09, we requested he put all of his information requests in writing.

Also, Alvin Xex claims we discriminate through the JOBS NOW! Program and I have forwarded his accusations to our Civil Rights division for investigation. I have included in the attached packet their response to his discrimination claims.

Thank you,

Pamela Tebo

SF Human Services Agency

attachments

Pamela Tebo/DHS/CCSF

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### David Curto <David.Curto@sfgov.org> 08/19/2009 09:26 AM

To @aol.com

cc James Whelly <James.Whelly@sfgov.org>, pamela.tebo@sfgov.org

bcc

Subject Information per your sunshine request

For Follow Up: P Normal Priority: Follow up:on 09/30/2009 at 10:13 AM.

History: S This message has been replied to and forwarded:

### Dear Alvin

Pursuant to your request, we have the following data to share with you. We have just began the JOBS NOW PROGRAM at the end of May 2009, so we do not have a lot of data available at this time. This program ends on September 30, 2010 and is funded under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

We do not screen nor track the ethnicity of any of the employers who participate in this program. We are grateful to have them participate and provide job opportunities to our clients under this program.

The following table (Clients Served) lists the number of clients currently working with the department in seeking employment and is sorted by both gender and ethnicity.

The bottom table (Clients Placed) lists the number of clients placed into subsidized (Stimulus Funded) employment.

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Of the African American clients placed into jobs to date 112 total, 7 were males and 105 were female.

I trust this answers your request. and thank-you for your inquiry.

Dave Curto Director of Contracts Human Services Agency

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Clients Sei	ved
Gender	7.007
emale	268
Male	<u>200</u>
Total	. 319
Ethnicity	#
African American	158
Caucasian	28
Chinese	16
Elipmo	21
His partic/Latino	64
Pacific Islander	12
Vietnamese	7
Other/Undisclosed	13
lofa	319

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Gender	<b>3</b>
Female	187
Male	28
Total	215
Ethnicity	#
African-American	112
Caucasian	14
Ghinese	16
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Hispanie/Latino	44
Pacific islander	- 5
vietnamese	3
Other/Undisclosed	õ
Total	215

Attachment 10 8/19/09 email





David Curto <David.Curto@sfgov.org> 08/19/2009 03:55 PM To @aol.com>

cc James Whelly <James.Whelly@sfgov.org>, pamela.tebo@sfgov.org

bcc

Subject Re: Information per your sunshine request

For Follow Up: Normal Priority: Follow up on 09/30/2009 at 10:00 AM

Hi Alvin,
There are no set number of positions open for Stimulus funded jobs. There
is also not a list of Stimulus funded jobs ready to fill. The number of
jobs is uncapped and depends upon employer's abilities to offer jobs using
these wage subsidies. We will be developing a list once the employers have
given us the number of jobs they can offer. At this point in time we are
recruiting both employers and job seekers.

Why so few African American males have been placed is a function of the number of African American Males in the program who are seeking employment.

We have no control over the number of any particular group seeking employment. Of those who do come in and seek employment, they are being placed. No one is being denied any opportunities under this program but they do need to apply.

Please go to the City's website WWW.SFGOV.org and read the Mayor's JOBS NOW Announcement. this may help alleviate your concerns.

I hope this helps

Dave Curto Director of Contracts Human Services Agency 415-557-5581

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@aol.com

08/19/2009 01:22 PM

David.Curto@sfqov.org

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Subject

Re: Information per your sunshine request

Reply: I need to know why (as usual) so few Black men benefit from Stimulus type programs—this time in San Francisco! Also, why San Francisco's stimulus effort directors (or administrators) did not address this ongoing problem? Lastly, the title and number of current (as of 8.19.09) open positions. Sunshine Laws request.

Sincerely,

Alvin-----

415/230/1421

----Original Message----

From: David Curto < David. Curto@sfgov.org>

To: @aol.com

Cc: James Whelly <James.Whelly@sfgov.org>; pamela.tebo@sfgov.org

Sent: Wed, Aug 19, 2009 9:26 am

Subject: Information per your sunshine request

### Dear Alvin

Pursuant to your request, we have the following data to share with you. We have just began the JOBS NOW PROGRAM at the end of May 2009, so we do not have a lot of data available at this time. This program ends on September 30, 2010 and is funded under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

We do not screen nor track the ethnicity of any of the employers who participate in this program. We are grateful to have them participate and provide job opportunities to our clients under this program.

The following table (Clients Served) lists the number of clients currently working with the department in seeking employment and is sorted by both gender and ethnicity.

The bottom table (Clients Placed) lists the number of clients placed into subsidized (Stimulus Funded) employment.

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Of the African American clients placed into jobs to date 112 total, 7 were males and 105 were female.

I trust this answers your request. and thank-you for your inquiry.

Dave Curto

Director of Contracts Human Services Agency 415-557-5581



Pamela Tebo/DHS/CCSF 08/21/2009 03:43 PM To @aoi.com

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bcc David Curto/DHS/CCSF@CCSF; James Whelly/DHS/CCSF@CCSF

Subject Response to your Sunshine Request

For Follow Up: PNormal Priority: Follow up on 09/30/2009 at 10:00 AM.

Dear Alvin,

The following is in response to the voicemail message you left for Jim Whelly on August 20, 2009:

You have asked for a list of all ARRA funds being administered by the City & County of San Francisco. The Human Services Agency does not have this information; we are only aware of those ARRA funds that our agency is administering. However, we suggest you visit www.RecoverySF.org to find this information. ARRA funds being administered by HSA include the following. More detailed information can be found on our website at www.sfhsa.org in the "What's New" section.

- Temporary Assistance to Needy Families Emergency Contingency Funds (TANF ECF) made available through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
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- Senior Nutrition funds made available through the federal Administration on Aging
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Pamela Tebo
Office of the Executive Director
SF Human Services Agency
P.O. Box 7988
San Francisco, CA 94120

Pamela Tebo/DHS/CCSF 09/14/2009 05:37 PM

To gaol.com

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bcc James Whelly/DHS/CCSF@CCSF; Tony Lugo/DHS/CCSF@CCSF; Hope Kamimoto/DHS/CCSF@CCSF; David Curto/DHS/CCSF@CCSF

Subject Your request for information

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Thank you,

Pamela Tebo





# @aol.com 09/15/2009 11:01 AM

To Pamela.Tebo@sfgov.org

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Subject Re: Your request for information

# History: 导This message has been forwarded.....

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Sincerely,

Alvin

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----Original Message----

From: Pamela Tebo < Pamela. Tebo@sfgov.org>

To: @aol.com

Sent: Mon, Sep 14, 2009 5:37 pm

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Pamela Tebo

SF Human Services Agency

P.O. Box 7988

San Francisco, CA 94120



Pamela Tebo/DHS/CCSF 09/15/2009 02:36 PM To @aol.com@SFGOV

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Subject Re: Your request for information

For Follow Up: Normal Priority. Follow up on 09/30/2009 at 10:00 AM

Mr. Alvin -

Please note, employers have the right to specify any qualification that are needed to fill a position. If you feel the Human Services Agency (H.S.A.) is discriminating against you, call (415) 557-6574 to file a complaint.

H.S.A. has already provided you with information you requested and we have no additional documents responsive to your request. Although the Sunshine Ordinance requires H.S.A. respond to public records requests or requests for oral information, it does not require that department engage in any extended dialogue with individuals who may or may not agree with the department's responses to a request, or a department's practices or procedures. Please be adivsed, we must conserve staff resources to remain available to perform many public duties. Our office will not engage in any ongoing dialogue, but will limit our responses to the extent the law requires.

Thank you,

Pamela Tebo SF Human Services Agency P.O. Box 7988 San Francisco, CA 94120

@aol.com



@aol.com

To Pamela.Tebo@sfgov.org

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Subject Re: Your request for information

Reply: 9/15/09, second request for info (today), response did not answer fair and clear queries for data--will send demand to Task Force, et al.

Sincerely,

----Original Message-----From: @@aol.com

To: Pamela. Tebo@sfgov.org

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Pamela Tebo

SF Human Services Agency

P.O. Box 7988

San Francisco, CA 94120



Pamela Tebo/DHS/CCSF 09/15/2009 05:11 PM To @aol.com

cc James Whelly/DHS/CCSF@CCSF

bcc

Subject Your request for information

Mr. Alvin,

Recently you have verbally requested documents from different staff at Human Services. To be sure we are responding to your requests appropriately and thoroughly, please submit all of your public records requests to me in writing at this email address, or at the address below.

Thank you very much.

Pamela Tebo Office of the Executive Director SF Human Services Agency P.O. Box 7988 San Francisco, CA 94120



Pamela Tebo/DHS/CCSF

10/02/2009 01:38 PM

To @aol.com@SFGOV

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bcc Frank Darby/BOS/SFGOV@SFGOV; Chris Rustom/BOS/SFGOV@SFGOV

Subject Re: Fwd: Re: Your request for information

Dear Alvin, We have responded to your repeated sunshine requests verbally and in writing. We have provided all of the information we have available and responded to the best of our ability. Also, since you claim discrimination, I forwarded your complaints to our Civil Rights Division as well so they can investigate.

Thank you,

Pamela Tebo
Office of the Executive Director
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To pamela.tebo@sfgov.org

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Subject Fwd: Re: Your request for information

Reply: I will send this legal query to STF today, agency and administrators refuse to answer in alloted time, etc.

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San Francisco, CA 94120





### Ariene Laxamana/DHS/CCSF

10/05/2009 10:40 AM



bcc Pamela Tebo/DHS/CCSF

Subject HSA Response regarding discrimination

History: 🕒 This message has been forwarded.

Dear Mr. Alvin,

I am writing in response to your allegation of discrimination. Specifically, you stated that you believed that the recruitment practices of the JOBSNow program are discriminatory.

Upon careful review of the recruitment and selection process, I did not find evidence of discrimination. Nevertheless, I will continue to monitor the process.

It is the policy of the Human Services Agency that no person shall be discriminated against in employment on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, ethnicity, age, disability or medical condition, political affiliation, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital or domestic partner status, other non-merit factors, or any other categories prohibited by law.

I have attached a form for your use should you decide to file a discrimination complaint with the HSA EEO office or other Agencies where a complaint of discrimination may be filed. Included are instructions on how to file a discrimination complaint.



FORM 8020 How to file a discrimination complaint doc

### Arlene Laxamana

**Employee Relations Division** 

Human Services Agency

1650 Mission street, 2<sup>™</sup> Floor

San Francisco, CA:94103

415 557-5665 direct/ 415 557-5873 fax

Arlene.Laxamana@sfgov.org

CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

# CHARGE OF DISCRIMINATION

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DHS Form 8020 Charge of Discrimination 2/06



# CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

#### HOW TO FILE A DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINT

#### AUTHORITY:

The authority to investigate complaints of employment discrimination stems from the San Francisco Charter, Section 10.103, and Civil Service Commission Rules (Volume 1, Rule 103; Volume II, Rule 203; Volume III, Rule 303; Volume IV, Rule 403). The HSA Civil Rights Officer is responsible for the review and resolution of complaints within HSA. The Officer may designate personnel to investigate complaints and make recommendations for resolution. For complaints submitted directly to the Department of Human Resources, the Human Resources Director is responsible for the review and resolution of complaints and may designate DHR personnel to investigate complaints and make recommendations for resolution.

The role of the Equal Employment Opportunity ("EEO") investigator is that of an objective third party, representing neither the complainant (employee/applicant), nor the respondent (department).

#### COMPLAINT PROCESS:

<u>Basis</u>: Discrimination complaints submitted for investigation must be based on a violation of civil rights on account of one or more of the following: RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, CREED, SEX, NATIONAL ORIGIN, ETHNICITY, AGE, DISABILITY OF MEDICAL CONDITION, ACQUIRED IMMUNE DEFICIENCY (AIDS/HIV) OF AIDS RELATED CONDITIONS, POLITICAL AFFILIATION, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, ANCESTRY, MARITAL OF DOMESTIC PARTNER STATUS, GENDER IDENTITY, PARENTAL STATUS, OTHER NON-MERIT FACTORS.

RETALIATION against any employee or applicant for having made a good faith complaint or report of discrimination, or for participating or aiding in an investigation of employment discrimination is also prohibited.

<u>Issues</u>: Actions complained of may include the following: DENIAL OF EMPLOYMENT, DENIAL OF TRAINING, DENIAL OF PROMOTION, DENIAL OF REASONABLE ACCOMODATION (for disability or religion), TERMINATION, LAY-OFF, CONSTRUCTIVE DISCHARGE, DISCIPLINARY ACTION, HARASSMENT, WORK ASSIGNMENT, SEXUAL HARASSMENT and COMPENSATION.

Other issues, such as a disagreement regarding Department rules or regulations affecting working conditions, may be subject to review through the Employee Grievance procedure under HSA Employee and Labor Relations.

Filing: Submit Form 8020 or a letter or other document that describes your complaint of discrimination. You may wish to contact the HSA EEO/Civil Rights Office or the EEO Office in the Department of Human Resources, or your employee representative, to assist you in submitting a complaint. All complaints must be signed by the person making the complaint and sent to either:

Director, Department of Human Resources

Attention: EEO Division

44 Gough Street

San Francisco, CA 94103

Phone: 415-557-4800

HSA Office of Civil Rights

P.O. Box 7988

San Francisco, CA 94120

Phone: 415-557-5751 or 415-558-5878

The letter of complaint should include the following:

- 1. Name, address and daytime phone number;
- 2. The basis for the complaint: i.e. race, religion, etc.
- 3. The discriminatory action: i.e. denial of employment or reasonable accommodation, termination, etc.;
- 4. The date(s) the alleged discriminatory action (s) took place;
- The City and County Department and work unit accused of discrimination;

Form 8020A How to File A Discrimination Complaint 2/06

6. The names of the individuals accused of discrimination;

7. The names and daytime phone numbers of any witnesses to the alleged discriminatory action;

8. A detailed explanation of the sequence of events which you believe to be discriminatory; and,

9. The specific action(s) you are seeking to correct the alleged discrimination.

If you are a current City and County employee, please also include your current Civil Service classification and the Department where you are employed.

Complaints of sexual harassment may also be made by calling the Department of Human Resources Harassment Helpline at 415-557-4900.

#### Filing Deadline:

Letters of complaint must be filed within one hundred eighty (180) calendar days of the date the discriminatory action or the alleged harassment took place, or the date the employee/applicant should have first become aware of the violation. A complaint is considered filed on the date it is received by the HSA Office of Civil Rights or the EEO Division of the Department of Human Resources. Therefore, time is an important factor when filing a complaint.

#### Investigation:

The HSA Civil Rights Officer or the DHR Human Resources Director may refer the complaint to an EEO investigator to review for timeliness and jurisdiction. The investigator will then contact the person filing the complaint, either by mail or phone, to schedule an intake interview. Intake interviews afford the investigator an opportunity to clarify the issues involved and also allow the person filing the complaint an opportunity to present the complaint in more detail.

The investigation may include reviewing and obtaining copies of relevant documents such as personnel files, attendance reports and performance evaluations; interviewing co-workers and supervisors; and other actions considered necessary in order to obtain relevant information.

It is important to remember that the individual who brings the complaint is responsible for substantiating the charges. Therefore, it is necessary to cooperate with the investigator by providing any written material, names of individuals to interview or any other information that would assist the investigation.

Note: During the intake interview, the entire complaint process will be explained in more detail by the assigned investigator. Any questions regarding the process can be asked during the intake interview.

#### Alternative Dispute Resolution:

Complainants may be asked to consider resolving their complaint through an alternative dispute resolution process facilitated by trained staff. HSA sponsors a voluntary Peer Mediation Program for the resolution of disputes.

Action and Appeal Procedures:
The HSA Civil Rights Officer or the DHR Human Resources Director will review the complaint and investigative report, and shall make a finding on the charges. The HSA Officer's determination will be sent to the HSA Deputy Director and/or the HSA Employee & Labor Relations Unit, as appropriate. For complaints submitted directly to DHR, the DHR Director's determination will be sent to the complainant and respondent Department. In either case, the decision shall be final, unless it is appealed to the Civil Service Commission and is reversed or modified.

#### Other Agencies Where a Complaint of Discrimination May Be Filed

California State Department of Fair Employment & Housing (DFEH)

1515 Clay Street, Suite 701, Oakland, CA 94612

1-800-884-1684 or 510-622-2973

(Time Limit: Must file within one year from date of discriminatory action)

U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC)

350 The Embarcadero – Suite 500

San Francisco, CA 94105

415-625-5600 or 1-800-669-4000

(Time Limit: Must file within 300 days from date of discriminatory action)

Filing a discrimination complaint with the HSA EEO/Civil Rights Unit or the DHR EEO Unit does not bar the Complainant from filing a complaint of discrimination with any of the two agencies listed above.

Form 8020A How to File A Discrimination Complaint 2/06



Pamela Tebo/DHS/CCSF 10/09/2009 11:22 AM To @aol.com

bcc James Whelly/DHS/CCSF@CCSF

Subject Response to your information request

Dear Alvin - On 10/8/09, I received a voicemail message from you. The following information is in response to your inquiry about the JOBS NOW! program. Your questions are in black, and my reponses are in red.

How many jobs have been created as of 10/8/09: We do not have a complete list of jobs not filled; however as of 10/9/09, HSA has placed 529 people in positions under the JOBS NOW! program

Provide a list of job titles: We do not have a list of job titles under the JOBS NOW! program

How many jobs list "preferences": We do not have a list of jobs indicating employer 'preferences'.

How many women have been hired under the JOBS NOW! Program as of 10/8/09: As of 10-09-09, 404 women have been hired.

How many black males have been hired under the JOBS NOW! Program as of 10/8/09: As of 10-09-09, 62 black men have been hired.

Thank you,

Pamela Tebo
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Pamela Tebo/DHS/CCSF 10/13/2009 10:13 AM To @aol.com

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Subject Re: Response to your information request

Dear Mr. Alvin,

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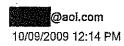
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P.O. Box 7988
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To Pamela.Tebo@sfgov.org

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Pamela Tebo/DHS/CCSF 10/13/2009 02:03 PM To @aol.com

CC

bcc Luenna Kim/DHS/CCSF@CCSF

Subject Fw: HSA Response regarding discrimination

Dear Mr. Alvin,

Ms. Kim from our staff informed me you called her requesting a copy of Form 8020. Below is a copy of an email our staff sent to you on October 5, 2009, which includes Form 8020.

Thank you,

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---- Forwarded by Pamela Tebo/DHS/CCSF on 10/13/2009 01:47 PM -----

Arlene Laxamana/DHS/CCSF

10/05/2009 10:40 AM

To @aol.com

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Subject HSA Response regarding discrimination

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I have attached a form for your use should you decide to file a discrimination complaint with the HSA EEO office or other Agencies where a complaint of discrimination may be filed. Included are instructions on how to file a discrimination complaint.

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Arlene Laxamana

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CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

# CHARGE OF DISCRIMINATION

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# CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

#### HOW TO FILE A DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINT

#### AUTHORITY:

The authority to investigate complaints of employment discrimination stems from the San Francisco Charter, Section 10.103, and Civil Service Commission Rules (Volume 1, Rule 103; Volume II, Rule 203; Volume III, Rule 303; Volume IV, Rule 403). The HSA Civil Rights Officer is responsible for the review and resolution of complaints within HSA. The Officer may designate personnel to investigate complaints and make recommendations for resolution. For complaints submitted directly to the Department of Human Resources, the Human Resources Director is responsible for the review and resolution of complaints and may designate DHR personnel to investigate complaints and make recommendations for resolution.

The role of the Equal Employment Opportunity ("EEO") investigator is that of an objective third party, representing neither the complainant (employee/applicant), nor the respondent (department).

#### COMPLAINT PROCESS:

Basis: Discrimination complaints submitted for investigation must be based on a violation of civil rights on account of one or more of the following: RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, CREED, SEX, NATIONAL ORIGIN, ETHNICITY, AGE, DISABILITY OF MEDICAL CONDITION, ACQUIRED IMMUNE DEFICIENCY (AIDS/HIV) OF AIDS RELATED CONDITIONS, POLITICAL AFFILIATION, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, ANCESTRY, MARITAL OF DOMESTIC PARTNER STATUS, GENDER IDENTITY, PARENTAL STATUS, OTHER NON-MERIT FACTORS.

RETALIATION against any employee or applicant for having made a good faith complaint or report of discrimination, or for participating or aiding in an investigation of employment discrimination is also prohibited.

Issues: Actions complained of may include the following: DENIAL OF EMPLOYMENT, DENIAL OF TRAINING, DENIAL OF PROMOTION, DENIAL OF REASONABLE ACCOMODATION (for disability or religion), TERMINATION, LAY-OFF, CONSTRUCTIVE DISCHARGE, DISCIPLINARY ACTION, HARASSMENT, WORK ASSIGNMENT, SEXUAL HARASSMENT and COMPENSATION.

Other issues, such as a disagreement regarding Department rules or regulations affecting working conditions, may be subject to review through the Employee Grievance procedure under HSA Employee and Labor Relations.

Filing: Submit Form 8020 or a letter or other document that describes your complaint of discrimination. You may wish to contact the HSA EEO/Civil Rights Office or the EEO Office in the Department of Human Resources, or your employee representative, to assist you in submitting a complaint. All complaints must be signed by the person making the complaint and sent to either:

Director, Department of Human Resources

Attention: EEO Division

44 Gough Street

San Francisco, CA 94103

Phone: 415-557-4800

HSA Office of Civil Rights

P.O. Box 7988

San Francisco, CA 94120

Phone: 415-557-5751 or 415-558-5878

The letter of complaint should include the following:

- 1. Name, address and daytime phone number;
- 2. The basis for the complaint: i.e. race, religion, etc.
- 3 The discriminatory action: i.e. denial of employment or reasonable accommodation, termination, etc.;
- 4. The date(s) the alleged discriminatory action (s) took place;
- The City and County Department and work unit accused of discrimination;

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- 6. The names of the individuals accused of discrimination:
- The names and daytime phone numbers of any witnesses to the alleged discriminatory action;
- 8. A detailed explanation of the sequence of events which you believe to be discriminatory; and,
- The specific action(s) you are seeking to correct the alleged discrimination.

If you are a current City and County employee, please also include your current Civil Service classification and the Department where you are employed.

Complaints of sexual harassment may also be made by calling the Department of Human Resources Harassment Helpline at 415-557-4900.

# Filing Deadline:

Letters of complaint must be filed within one hundred eighty (180) calendar days of the date the discriminatory action or the alleged harassment took place, or the date the employee/applicant should have first become aware of the violation. A complaint is considered filed on the date it is received by the HSA Office of Civil Rights or the EEO Division of the Department of Human Resources. Therefore, time is an important factor when filing a complaint.

#### Investigation:

The HSA Civil Rights Officer or the DHR Human Resources Director may refer the complaint to an EEO investigator to review for timeliness and jurisdiction. The investigator will then contact the person filing the complaint, either by mail or phone, to schedule an intake interview. Intake interviews afford the investigator an opportunity to clarify the issues involved and also allow the person filing the complaint an opportunity to present the complaint in more detail.

The investigation may include reviewing and obtaining copies of relevant documents such as personnel files, attendance reports and performance evaluations; interviewing co-workers and supervisors; and other actions considered necessary in order to obtain relevant information.

It is important to remember that the individual who brings the complaint is responsible for substantiating the charges. Therefore, it is necessary to cooperate with the investigator by providing any written material, names of individuals to interview or any other information that would assist the investigation.

Note: During the intake interview, the entire complaint process will be explained in more detail by the assigned investigator. Any questions regarding the process can be asked during the intake interview.

#### Alternative Dispute Resolution:

Complainants may be asked to consider resolving their complaint through an alternative dispute resolution process facilitated by trained staff. HSA spensors a voluntary Peer Mediation Program for the resolution of disputes.

### Action and Appeal Procedures:

The HSA Civil Rights Officer or the DHR Human Resources Director will review the complaint and investigative report, and shall make a finding on the charges. The HSA Officer's determination will be sent to the HSA Deputy Director and/or the HSA Employee & Labor Relations Unit, as appropriate. For complaints submitted directly to DHR, the DHR Director's determination will be sent to the complainant and respondent Department. In either case, the decision shall be final, unless it is appealed to the Civil Service Commission and is reversed or modified.

#### Other Agencies Where a Complaint of Discrimination May Be Filed

California State Department of Fair Employment & Housing (DFEH)

1515 Clay Street, Suite 701, Oakland, CA 94612

1-800-884-1684 or 510-622-2973

(Time Limit: Must file within one year from date of discriminatory action)

U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC)

350 The Embarcadero - Suite 500

San Francisco, CA 94105

415-625-5600 or 1-800-669-4000

(Time Limit: Must file within 300 days from date of discriminatory action)

Filing a discrimination complaint with the HSA EEO/Civil Rights Unit or the DHR EEO Unit does not bar the Complainant from filing a complaint of discrimination with any of the two agencies listed above.

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## Pameia Tebo/DHS/CCSF 10/14/2009 03:10 PM

To @aol.com@SFGOV

cc kimberly.alvarenga@asm.ca.gov

bcc

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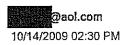
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----Original Message---- ;
From: Pamela Tebo <Pamela.Tebo@sfgov.org>
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Sent: Fri, Oct 9, 2009 10:22 am

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### Arlene Laxamana/DHS/CCSF 10/15/2009 02:34 PM

To @aol.com

cc Pamela Tebo/DHS/CCSF@CCSF

bcc

Subject Your sunshine request☐

History: 常知 This message has been replied to

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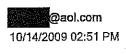
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To Arlene.Laxamana@sfgov.org, kimberly.alvarenga@asm.ca.gov

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