

Commission on Human Rights

KY Human Rights Commission will meet next week to rule on complaints alleging discrimination

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Louisville, Ky. - The Kentucky Commission on Human Rights Board of Commissioners will meet to rule on discrimination complaints for the people of Kentucky on Thursday, Aug. 15, at 9:30 a.m. (Eastern Daylight Time), at its headquarters at 332 W. Broadway, in Louisville, Ky. The meeting will be held in the second floor conference room. The meeting is open to the public.

The Kentucky Commission on Human Rights is the state government authority that enforces the Kentucky and U.S. Civil Rights acts, both of which prohibit discrimination. People who believe they have been victims of illegal discrimination make complaints about the alleged discrimination incident(s) to the commission. The commission investigates and makes an official ruling on the complaint or otherwise works to resolve the complaint through conciliation agreement, or mediation, or settlement, or a dismissal of the complaint with a finding of no probable cause to believe discrimination occurred.

The Kentucky Civil Rights Act protects people from discrimination based on race, color, religion, national origin, sex, and disability in the areas of housing, employment, public accommodations and financial transactions. It further protects people in the area of employment from discrimination based on age (40 years old and over) and based on tobacco-smoking status. Anti-discrimination law further protects, in the area of housing, families with children under the age of 18 years old and women who are pregnant. It is against the law to retaliate against any person who makes a discrimination complaint to the Kentucky Commission on Human Rights.

For help with discrimination, contact the commission at 1.800.292.5566. The TDD number is 502.595.4084. To learn more about discrimination protection and the Kentucky Commission on Human Rights, visit the website at www.kchr.ky.gov.