The Washington State Human Rights Commission has no jurisdiction over: employers with LESS than 8 employees; Native American tribes; the federal government; claims in which the unfair action took place outside of Washington; claims in which the last date of harm occurred more than 6 months ago (or more than 2 years prior in a state employee whistle-blower retaliation claim), or retaliation claims that are outside the scope of our authority.

Your complaint will NOT be accepted for investigation if it falls into one of the exceptions above, or does not meet the jurisdictional requirements of RCW 49.60.

You must file a charge of job discrimination within 6 months from the date of the alleged discrimination (or within 2 years prior in a state employee whistle-blower retaliation claim).

This Pre-Charge Inquiry is NOT a Charge of Discrimination.

Answer all questions completely and please write clearly. If you require assistance in completing this form as a reasonable accommodation, please contact us at 1.800.233.3247 or at frontdesk@hum.wa.gov.

After completing this Pre-Charge Inquiry, return it immediately to:
711 S. Capitol Way, Suite 402 PO BOX 42490
Olympia, WA 98504-2490

Incomplete inquiries will not be accepted.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

First Name: [ ] MI [ ] Last Name: [ ]
Home Phone: [ ] Cell Phone: [ ] E-Mail: [ ]
Mailing Address: [ ] Apt/Unit #: [ ]
City: [ ] County: [ ] State: [ ] Zip Code: [ ]

What is the best way to reach you? [ ]

What are the best days and times to reach you? [ ]

Sex/Gender: [ ] National Origin/Ancestry: [ ]

Please choose all that apply:

- [ ] Hispanic
- [ ] Black
- [ ] Caucasian
- [ ] Asian
- [ ] Alaskan Native
- [ ] Latino
- [ ] African-American
- [ ] American Indian
- [ ] Native Hawaiian
- [ ] Pacific Islander
WHO DO YOU THINK DISCRIMINATED AGAINST YOU?

- Employer
- Union
- Employment Agency
- Other Organization

Organization Name:

Provide address location of where you work(ed) or applied to work:

Physical Address: __________________________ Suite: ______

City: ______ County: ______ State: ______ Zip Code: ______

Mailing Address (if different from above):

Mailing Address: __________________________ Suite: ______

City: ______ County: ______ State: ______ Zip Code: ______

Name of Human Resources Director or Owner: __________________________

E-Mail: __________________________ Phone: ______

How many employees (estimated) does the organization have at all locations? Check one:

- Less than 8
- 8-14
- 15-100
- 101-200
- 201-500
- 500 +

WHY DO YOU THINK YOU WERE DISCRIMINATED AGAINST?

- Age (40 or older) - Age at the time of the adverse employment action: ______
- Race
- Color (skin shade)
- National Origin
- Creed/Religion
- HIV/Hep C Status
- Sex (including pregnancy)
- Marital Status
- Gender Identity/Sexual Orientation
- Veteran Status
- Disability - Check all that apply
  - I have a disability - the disability involved
  - I had a disability in the past.
  - I don't have a disability but I am treated as if I have a disability.

Is your employer aware of your condition?  Yes  No
If yes, how?

State Employee Whistleblower Retaliation/Other Retaliation

Have you filed a whistleblower complaint with another agency?
If yes, when?  What was the issue?

Retaliation - Check all that apply:
- I filed a charge of job discrimination about any of the above.
- I contacted a government agency to complaint about job discrimination.
- I complained to my employer about job discrimination.
- I helped or was a witness in someone else's complaint about job discrimination.
WHAT IS YOUR JOB, PREVIOUS JOB, OR THE JOB YOU APPLIED FOR?

Date Hired: __________    Job Title at Hire: __________

Annual Pay Rate When Hired: __________    Last or Current Annual Pay Rate: __________

Job Title at Time of Alleged Discrimination: __________

Date your employment ended: __________  □ Quit    □ Discharged / Laid Off

Name and Title of your Immediate Supervisor: __________

Job Applicants - What was the title of the job you applied for: __________

Date you applied: __________    Date you found out you were not hired: __________

WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU THAT YOU THINK WAS DISCRIMINATORY? WHEN DID IT HAPPEN?

EXAMPLES: I was denied an accommodation I needed to perform my job; I was fired because I was pregnant; I was laid off because of my age. State the dates the action happened.

Date: __________    Action: __________

Date: __________    Action: __________

WHAT REASON(S) WERE YOU GIVEN FOR THIS JOB ACTION?

Name of Person(s) Responsible: __________

Reason(s): __________

Who told you this? __________    Their Job Title: __________

WAS ANOTHER PERSON IN THE SAME OR SIMILAR SITUATION TREATED THE SAME, BETTER, OR WORSE THAN YOU?

EXAMPLES: Who else applied for the same job? Who else had the same attendance record?

WHO WAS TREATED BETTER THAN YOU?

Name: __________    Job Title: __________

Phone / E-Mail: __________

Check how they are different from you:

□ Race    □ Color    □ Disability    □ HIV/Hep C Status    □ Sex    □ Gender Identity    □ Sexual Orientation

□ Religion    □ Age    □ National Origin    □ Veteran Status    □ Martial Status    □ Other: __________

How were they treated better? __________

Date: __________
WHO WAS TREATED WORSE THAN YOU?

Name: ___________________________ Job Title: ___________________________

Phone / E-Mail: ___________________________ Check how they are different from you:

☐ Race  ☐ Color  ☐ Disability  ☐ HIV/Hep C Status  ☐ Sex  ☐ Gender Identity  ☐ Sexual Orientation
☐ Religion  ☐ Age  ☐ National Origin  ☐ Veteran Status  ☐ Martial Status  ☐ Other ___________________________

How were they treated worse? ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

WHO WAS TREATED SAME AS YOU?

Name: ___________________________ Job Title: ___________________________

Phone / E-Mail: ___________________________ Check how they are different from you:

☐ Race  ☐ Color  ☐ Disability  ☐ HIV/Hep C Status  ☐ Sex  ☐ Gender Identity  ☐ Sexual Orientation
☐ Religion  ☐ Age  ☐ National Origin  ☐ Veteran Status  ☐ Martial Status  ☐ Other ___________________________

How were they treated the same? ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

ARE THERE ANY WITNESSES TO ANY OF THE JOB ACTIONS TAKEN AGAINST YOU? IF YES, PLEASE PROVIDE THEIR CONTACT INFORMATION AND TELL US WHAT THEY WILL SAY.

Name: ___________________________ Job Title: ___________________________

E-Mail: ___________________________ Phone: ___________________________

What will they tell us? ___________________________

Name: ___________________________ Job Title: ___________________________

E-Mail: ___________________________ Phone: ___________________________

What will they tell us? ___________________________

WHO CAN WE CONTACT IF WE ARE UNABLE TO REACH YOU?

Name: ___________________________ Relationship: ___________________________

Mailing Address: ___________________________ Apt/Unit #: ___________________________

City: ___________________________ County: ___________________________ State: ___________________________ Zip Code: ___________________________

E-Mail: ___________________________ Phone: ___________________________
HAVE YOU ALREADY FILED A CHARGE ON THIS MATTER WITH THE
WASHINGTON STATE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION?

☐ Yes  ☐ No  If yes, date you filed:  Charge Number:

HAVE YOU ALREADY FILED A COMPLAINT ON THIS MATTER WITH ANOTHER AGENCY?

☐ Yes  ☐ No  If yes, agency name:

If yes, date you filed:  Complaint Number:

IF YOU HAVE SOMEONE REPRESENTING YOU IN THIS MATTER,
PLEASE PROVIDE US WITH THEIR CONTACT INFORMATION.

☐ Attorney  ☐ Union  ☐ Other

Name:  Date of Contact:  Phone:

E-Mail:

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

Is there anything else we should know?

Key Points:

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This Employment Pre-Charge Inquiry is NOT a charge of discrimination.

We recommend that you keep a copy of your completed Pre-Charge Inquiry for your records.

KEEPING YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION CURRENT

It is your obligation to cooperate with the investigation, including providing the Commission with notice of any change of address, phone number, or any prolonged absence from your current address. If you fail to notify the Commission of any change in address or prolonged absence, your inquiry or complaint may be closed administratively due to our inability to locate you, or may be closed based upon the evidence at the time.

PUBLIC DISCLOSURE

Be advised: any information and documents that you submit to the Commission are subject to public records laws and will be available to anyone who requests them. This includes medical and other types of private records. Therefore, it is in your best interest not to submit anything unless requested by your investigator.

ANY DECISION MADE BY THE COMMISSION DOES NOT PRECLUDE YOUR RIGHT TO FILE A CIVIL ACTION IN A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION, PURSUANT TO RCW 49.60.030.