

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION**

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)	CIVIL ACTION
(Name of the plaintiff or plaintiffs))	
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v.)	NO. _____
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(Name of the defendant or defendants))	

COMPLAINT OF EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION

1. This is an action for employment discrimination.

2. The plaintiff is _____ of the
county of _____ in the state of _____.

3. The defendant is _____, whose
street address is _____,
(city) _____ (county) _____ (state) _____ (ZIP) _____
(Defendant's telephone number) (____) – _____

4. The plaintiff sought employment or was employed by the defendant at (street address)
_____ (city) _____
(county) _____ (state) _____ (ZIP code) _____

5. The plaintiff [*check one box*]

- (a) ☐ was denied employment by the defendant.
- (b) ☐ was hired and is still employed by the defendant.
- (c) ☐ was employed but is no longer employed by the defendant.

6. The defendant discriminated against the plaintiff on or about, or beginning on or about,
(month)_____, (day)_____, (year)_____.

7.1 (Choose paragraph 7.1 or 7.2, do not complete both.)

(a) The defendant is not a federal governmental agency, and the plaintiff [*check one box*] ☐ has *not* ☐ has filed a charge or charges against the defendant asserting the acts of discrimination indicated in this complaint with any of the following government agencies:

- (i) ☐ the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, on or about
(month)_____ (day)_____ (year)_____.
- (ii) ☐ the Illinois Department of Human Rights, on or about
(month)_____ (day)_____ (year)_____.

(b) If charges *were* filed with an agency indicated above, a copy of the charge is attached. ☐ YES. ☐ NO, **but plaintiff will file a copy of the charge within 14 days.**

It is the policy of both the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and the Illinois Department of Human Rights to cross-file with the other agency all charges received. The plaintiff has no reason to believe that this policy was not followed in this case.

7.2 The defendant is a federal governmental agency, and

- (a) the plaintiff previously filed a Complaint of Employment Discrimination with the defendant asserting the acts of discrimination indicated in this court complaint.

☐ Yes (month)_____ (day)_____ (year) _____

☐ No, did not file Complaint of Employment Discrimination

(b) The plaintiff received a Final Agency Decision on (month)_____
(day) _____ (year) _____.

(c) Attached is a copy of the

(i) Complaint of Employment Discrimination,

☐ YES ☐ NO, but a copy will be filed within 14 days.

(ii) Final Agency Decision

☐ YES ☐ NO, but a copy will be filed within 14 days.

8. *(Complete paragraph 8 only if defendant is not a federal governmental agency.)*

. (a) ☐ the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission has not issued
a *Notice of Right to Sue*.

(b) ☐ the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission has issued a
Notice of Right to Sue, which was received by the plaintiff on
(month)_____ (day)_____ (year)_____ a copy of which
Notice is attached to this complaint.

9. The defendant discriminated against the plaintiff because of the plaintiff's [***check only those that apply***]:

(a) ☐ Age (Age Discrimination Employment Act).

(b) ☐ Color (Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and 42 U.S.C. §1981).

- (c) ☐ Disability (Americans with Disabilities Act or Rehabilitation Act)
- (d) ☐ National Origin (Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and 42 U.S.C. §1981).
- (e) ☐ Race (Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and 42 U.S.C. §1981).
- (f) ☐ Religion (Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964)
- (g) ☐ Sex (Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964)
10. If the defendant is a state, county, municipal (city, town or village) or other local governmental agency, plaintiff further alleges discrimination on the basis of race, color, or national origin (42 U.S.C. § 1983).
11. Jurisdiction over the statutory violation alleged is conferred as follows: for Title VII claims by 28 U.S.C. §1331, 28 U.S.C. §1343(a)(3), and 42 U.S.C. §2000e-5(f)(3); for 42 U.S.C. §1981 and §1983 by 42 U.S.C. §1988; for the A.D.E.A. by 42 U.S.C. §12117; for the Rehabilitation Act, 29 U.S.C. § 791.
12. The defendant [*check only those that apply*]
- (a) ☐ failed to hire the plaintiff.
- (b) ☐ terminated the plaintiff's employment.
- (c) ☐ failed to promote the plaintiff.
- (d) ☐ failed to reasonably accommodate the plaintiff's religion.
- (e) ☐ failed to reasonably accommodate the plaintiff's disabilities.
- (f) ☐ failed to stop harassment;
- (g) ☐ retaliated against the plaintiff because the plaintiff did something to assert rights protected by the laws identified in paragraphs 9 and 10 above;
- (h) ☐ other (specify): _____
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13. The facts supporting the plaintiff's claim of discrimination are as follows:

14. **[AGE DISCRIMINATION ONLY]** Defendant knowingly, intentionally, and willfully discriminated against the plaintiff.

15. The plaintiff demands that the case be tried by a jury. ☐ YES ☐ NO

16. THEREFORE, the plaintiff asks that the court grant the following relief to the plaintiff
[*check only those that apply*]

- (a) ☐ Direct the defendant to hire the plaintiff.
- (b) ☐ Direct the defendant to re-employ the plaintiff.
- (c) ☐ Direct the defendant to promote the plaintiff.
- (d) ☐ Direct the defendant to reasonably accommodate the plaintiff's religion.
- (e) ☐ Direct the defendant to reasonably accommodate the plaintiff's disabilities.
- (f) ☐ Direct the defendant to (specify): _____

(g) ☐ If available, grant the plaintiff appropriate injunctive relief, lost wages, liquidated/double damages, front pay, compensatory damages, punitive damages, prejudgment interest, post-judgment interest, and costs, including reasonable attorney fees and expert witness fees.

(h) ☐ Grant such other relief as the Court may find appropriate.

(Plaintiff's signature)

(Plaintiff's name)

(Plaintiff's street address)

(City) _____ (State) _____ (ZIP) _____

(Plaintiff's telephone number) (____) – _____

Date: _____