

Indiana Civil Rights Commission

Public Meeting

June 21, 2019

1:00p.m.-3:00p.m.

ICRC Conference Room 100 North Senate Avenue, Room N300 Indiana Government Center North Indianapolis, IN 46204

<u>Agenda</u>

- I. Meeting convened and quorum established
- II. Announcement of Agenda
- III. Approval of previous meeting minutes
- IV. ICRC Directors' Report
- V. Old Business
 - i. Commissioners Appointed to Appeals Report Determinations:
 - 1. <u>Penny Washington v. Country Inn Suites, (Part17091253),</u> Appeal Date: 3/18/2019 **Commissioner Blackburn**
 - 2. <u>Michael Simson v. Lafayette Transitional Housing Center Inc.</u>, (HOha18070405)

Appeal Date: 3/26/2019 Commissioner Harrington

- 3. Jimella Harris o/b/o Jacquese Hightower, et, al v. East Allen <u>County Schools District, (EDra10120548)</u> Appeal Date: 4/2/2019 **Commissioner Harrington**
- 4. <u>Kellee Rembert v. Central Elementary School,</u> (EDha17081222), Appeal Date: 4/22/2019 **Chair Ramos**
- 5. <u>Travis Story v. FCA US LLC, (EMrt18100576),</u> Appeal Date: 5/10/2019 Vice Chair Slash
- 6. <u>Dewitt Green v. AACOA</u>, (24M-2018-0124) Appeal Date: 5/6/2019 Commissioner Blackburn
- Linda Long v. Dynamite Building Maintenance Inc., (EMse18050264)
 Appeal Date: 4/22/2019 Commissioner Jackson
- 8. <u>Amy Simpson v. City of Tell City</u>, (EMsh18080444) Appeal Date: 5/9/2019 **Chair Ramos**
- VI. New Business
 - i. Appointment of Commissioners to Complainants' Appeals of Director's Findings

"The Chair shall appoint a Commissioner to review and rule on each appeal." 910 IAC 1-3-2(h).

- 1. Jason Wineke v. Barry's Pizza, (EMsh1810566), Appeal Date: 5/28/2019
- 2. Jason Wineke v. Trans-plants Inc., (EMrt18100576), Appeal Date: 5/17/2019
- **3.** <u>Mona Whitfield v. American Legion, (PAse18010046)</u> Appeal Date: 5/20/2019
- **4.** <u>Robin Waltz v. Great Clips, (EMha18070435)</u> Appeal Date: 5/30/2019
- **5.** <u>Travis Story v. FCA US LLC, (EMra18070433)</u> Appeal Date: 5/8/2019

ii. Review of ALJ Decisions and Orders

"The Administrative Law Judge's Order Disposing of the proceeding becomes a final order when affirmed under [IC 4-21.5-3-29]." IC 4-21.5-3-27(a).

- ELIAS v. Kilroy's Bar and Grill, (ICRC. No.: PAha17071197) The ALJ dismissed the case after both parties filed a Joint Motion to Dismiss.
- ISIDORO v. JR Interior Trim and Jesus Fernandez, (ICRC No.: EMse16061276)

The ALJ found Respondent JR Interior Trim and Respondent Jesus Fernandez to be in default. After conducting a hearing on damages, the ALJ issued an initial order awarding Complainant \$8,769.44 to be paid by Respondent JR Interior Trim. The ALJ dismissed the complaint made against Jesus Fernandez.

- ERVIN v. U & ME Logistics, (ICRC No.: EMra16031074) The ALJ found Respondent to be in default. After conducting a hearing on damages, the ALJ issued an initial order awarding Complainant \$971.17.
- ICRC (TORRES) v. Creative Approach Realty, LLC. (ICRC No.: HOha17061143)

The ALJ granted Complainant's motion for summary judgment and conducted a hearing on damages. The ALJ awarded the aggrieved person \$10,000.00 and awarded the state \$10,000.00 in civil penalties. The ALJ also ordered affirmative relief, including: 1) an apology letter, 2) policy changes, 3) changes to forms, and 4) training.

5. HE v. Belterra Casino,

(ICRC No.: EMha13101544)

After conducting a Hearing on the merits, the ALJ found Respondent discriminated against Complainant on the basis of disability but not on the basis of race and national origin. As a result, the ALJ awarded Complainant \$76,583.41 and ordered affirmative relief, including training and policy changes. The ALJ dismissed the race and national origin complaint. Both Complainant and Respondent have filed objections.

- **6.** KUSS v. CTI, (ICRC No.: EMha17051071)
 - Respondent filed a Motion for Summary Judgment requesting the dismissal of the case, which the ALJ granted. Complainant has filed objections, requesting a briefing schedule and oral arguments. The Commission ordered briefs to be filed on May 23, 2019, with oral arguments occurring at the June meeting. Neither Party has filed a motion to continue the date of the oral arguments.

iii. Meeting Dates for 2019

- Monday, July 22, 2019
- Friday, August 16, 2019
- Friday, September 20, 2019
- Friday, October 18, 2019
- Friday, November 15, 2019
- Friday, December 20, 2019

- VII. Announcements
- VIII. Public Comment

Adjournment