

Our mission

The Fair Housing Law Center offers education and legal representation to ensure everyone has access to housing free from discrimination.



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Fair Housing is Your Right

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What is prohibited?

Making Housing Unavailable
Providing Different Terms + Conditions
False Denial of Availability
Steering
Redlining
Reverse Redlining
Coercion, Intimidation, Threats, Interference
Retaliation
Discriminatory Statements + Advertising
Refusing to Grant a Reasonable Accommodation
Refusing to Grant a Reasonable Modification
Harassment
Sexual Harassment

What housing providers and housing transactions are covered?

Landlords
Realtors
Lenders
Insurance Companies
Condos and Cooperatives
Homeowner Associations
Public Housing
Shelters (in certain situations)

Rentals
Sales
Home Mortgages
Appraisals
Home Owner's Insurance
Renter's Insurance

Who is protected?



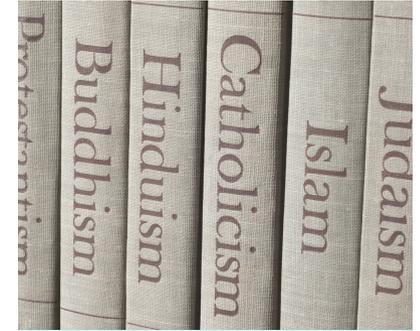
Race & Color

Includes different treatment because of actual or perceived race or association with people of a particular race



National Origin

Discrimination can be based either upon the country of an individual's birth or where his or her ancestors originated



Religion

Covers instances of discrimination against members of a particular religion



Sex

Includes discrimination based on gender; sexual harassment; and protects victims of domestic violence



Familial Status

Protects families with children under the age of 18



Disability

Covers discrimination against people with physical or mental impairments that substantially limit a major life activity

What does discrimination look like?

A housing provider refuses to sell, rent or show available housing to you or charges you a higher security deposit because of your protected class

You are threatened with eviction for exercising your fair housing rights

Advertisements expressing preferences for certain tenants deter or limit you from renting the housing you want

Your requests for reasonable accommodations or modifications are denied

You are steered to certain areas of town or places in the property because of your protected class