EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES COMMISSION CITY OF MADISON 210 MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. BOULEVARD MADISON, WISCONSIN

Kody Wright 1852 Fisher Street, Apartment 1 Madison, WI 53713

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Complainant

Respondent

Grant Johnson 1440 Veteran Avenue, #352 Los Angeles, California 90024 SECOND AMENDED NOTICE OF HEARING

CASE NO. 2023-0021

Notice is hereby given that a hearing will be held in the above-entitled matter before the

Hearing Examiner of the Madison Equal Opportunities Commission on the date and at the location listed below:

Date:	July 22, 2025
Time:	9:00 a.m. CDT
Location:	City of Madison, Municipal Building 215 Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard Room 206 Madison, Wisconsin 53703

Parties and their attorneys are advised that they and their witnesses be available on the date listed and on the following day in the event that a second day of hearing is necessary.

Arrangements to continue a hearing beyond a second day will be made as appropriate.

Issues to be determined at hearing:

 Did the Respondent discriminate against the Complainant on the basis of his receipt of public assistance by failing or refusing to accept one or more rental payments?

- 2. Did the Respondent discriminate against the Complainant on the basis of his receipt of public assistance by failing or refusing to provide the Complainant's funding agency (Tenant Resource Center) with necessary information for his rental assistance?
- 3. Did the Respondent discriminate against the Complainant on the basis of his receipt of public assistance by causing or permitting his harassment?
- 4. Did the Respondent discriminate against the Complainant on the basis of his receipt of public assistance when it commenced an eviction action against the Complainant?
- 5. If discrimination is demonstrated pursuant to any of the claims set forth in 1-4 above, to what, if any, damages is the Complainant entitled?

The foregoing is alleged to constitute a violation of Section 39.03(4) of the Madison General Ordinances.

You are hereby ordered and required to produce at the hearing any papers, records, or communications of any kind which may be relevant to the above-mentioned matter. Necessary witnesses should be informed and arrangements made for their presence. Witnesses may be subpoenaed, if necessary, by contacting our office.

The following procedures will be followed at this hearing:

- 1. Either party may be represented by counsel.
- 2. Proceedings are recorded.
- 3. Each party is given an opportunity to make arguments, present evidence, examine witnesses, and cross-examine witnesses of the other party.
- 4. Testimony shall be taken under oath or affirmation.
- 5. The Rules of Evidence contained in Wisconsin Statutes, Section 227.45 shall be followed.

If the parties are not ready to proceed as of the date of the receipt of this notice, they must notify this office immediately. Postponements will be granted only for good cause. They will not be granted for the convenience of the parties. They will be granted within one week of the date of the hearing only where an emergency exists.

Attorneys should be cognizant of the provisions of Sec. 49.89, Wisconsin Statutes and any obligations they may have thereunder.

The Department of Civil Rights is a public body subject to the provisions of the Wisconsin Public Records Laws, Wis. Stats. §§19.31 through 19.37. In order to reduce the opportunity for theft of personally identifying information, it is recommended that parties redact or remove sensitive and personally identifying information such as Driver's License Numbers, Social Security Numbers and credit references from any submissions to the Department. Should the need arise, it will be the responsibility of the redacting party to provide the redacted or removed information if the Department of Civil Rights requires access to such information.

Signed and dated this 14th day of July 2025.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES COMMISSION

Clifford E. Blackwell, III Hearing Examiner

Cc: Attorney Robert Kasieta Attorney Noah Relles