

<p align="center"> CITY OF URBANA HUMAN RELATIONS DIVISION 400 SOUTH VINE ST. URBANA, ILLINOIS 61801 (217) 384-2455 (phone); 328-8288 (fax) hro@urbanailinois.us </p>	Office Use Only (09/15)		
	Requested by:		Date:
	Approved by:		Date:
	Certification Date:		
	Certificate Expiration Date:		
EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY (E.E.O.) WORKFORCE STATISTICS FORM			
Please complete the sections below as instructed. Failure to properly complete this form may result in a delay or denial of eligibility to bid or do business with the City of Urbana.			
Section I. Identification			
1. Company Name and Address:			
Name: <i>HH office Inc.</i>			
d/b/a: <i>Rogers</i>			
Address: <i>214 S. Walnut St.</i>			
City/State/Zip: <i>Champaign, IL 61820</i>			
Telephone Number(s) include area code: <i>217-359-1795</i>			
Check one of the following			
Corporation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Partnership	<input type="checkbox"/>
Individual Proprietorship	<input type="checkbox"/>	Limited Liability Corp.	<input type="checkbox"/>
FEI Number: <i>45-1580497</i>		Social Security Number:	
2. Name and Address of the Company's Principal Office (answer only if not the same as above)			
Name:			
Address:			
City/State/Zip			
3. Major activity of your company (product or service):			
4. Project on which your company is bidding:			
5. City of Urbana contact staff assigned to contract:			

SECTION II. Policies and Practices

Description of EEO Policies and Practices		YES	NO
A.	Is it the Company's policy to recruit, hire, train, upgrade, promote and discipline persons without regard to race, color, creed, class, national origin, religion, sex, age, marital status, mental and/or physical disability, personal appearance, sexual preference, family responsibilities, matriculation, political affiliation, prior arrest, conviction record, or source of income?	X	
B.	Has someone been assigned to develop procedures, which will assure that the EEO policy is implemented and enforced by managerial, administrative, and supervisory personnel? If so, please indicate the name and title of the official charged with this responsibility. Name: <u>Tonya Horn</u> Title: <u>President</u> Telephone: <u>217-359-1795</u> Email: <u>tonya@regards.com</u>	X	
C.	Does the company have a written Equal Employment Opportunity plan or statement? Note: If no, a copy of an EEO statement is enclosed. You must attach an EEO Statement in order to be considered eligible to do business with the City of Urbana. Questions? (217) 384-2455 or hro@city.urbana.il.us.	X	
D.	Has the company developed a written policy statement prohibiting Sexual Harassment? You must attach a copy of your company's Sexual Harassment Policy in order to be considered eligible to do business with the City of Urbana.	X	
E.	Have all recruitment sources been notified that the company will consider all qualified applicants without regard to race, color, creed, class, national origin, religion, sex, age, marital status, mental and/or physical disability, personal appearance, sexual orientation, family responsibilities, matriculation, political affiliation, prior arrest, conviction record, or source of income?	X	
F.	If advertising is used, does it specify that all qualified applicants will be considered for employment without regard to race, color, creed, class, national origin, religion, sex, age, marital status, mental and/or physical disability, personal appearance, sexual orientation, family responsibilities, matriculation, political affiliation, prior arrest, conviction record, or source of income?	X	
G.	Has the contractor notified all of its sub-contractors of their obligations to comply with the Equal Opportunity requirements either in writing, by inclusion in subcontracts or purchase orders?	X	
H.	Is the company a state certified minority/women owned business? If yes, please attach a copy of state certification.	X	
I.	Does the company have collective bargaining agreements with labor organizations?		X
J.	If you answered yes to Question "I", have the labor organizations been notified of the company's responsibility to comply with the Equal Employment Opportunity requirements in all contracts with the City of Urbana?		
K.	Does your company perform construction, rehabilitation, alteration, conversion, demolition or repair of buildings, highways or other improvements to real property? (If yes, please complete Table B.)		X
L.	Are you currently seeking to renew an existing or expired Urbana EEO certification? (If yes, you need to complete Table C.)	X	

SECTION III. Employment Information

IMPORTANT: Please complete the company workforce analysis on the bottom of this page. Use the number of employees as of the most recent payroll period. You must complete this form in its entirety, as instructed and submit your organization's (1) EEO Statement and (2) Sexual Harassment Policy in order to be eligible to do business with the City of Urbana. For detailed descriptions of the Job Classifications see attached descriptions. If minorities and females are currently under-represented in your workforce, please attach a copy of an explanation of your plan to recruit and hire qualified minorities and females.

TABLE A – TOTAL CONTRACTOR/VENDOR WORKFORCE

Job Categories	Overall Totals		White (Not of Hispanic Origin)		Black or African-American (Not of Hispanic Origin)		Hispanic or Latino		Asian or Pacific Islander		American Indian or Alaskan Native	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Officials & Mgrs	2	2	2	2								
Professionals		2		2								
Technicians												
Sales Workers	2	2	2	2								
Office & Clerical		4		4								
Craft Workers (Skilled)												
Operatives (Semi-Skilled)												
Laborers (Unskilled)	4		4									
Service Workers												
TOTAL	8	10	8	10								
M = MALE, Column B is sum of Rows D, F, H, J and L. F = FEMALE, Column C is sum of Rows E, G, I, K and M.												
Date of above Data: <u>9/12/16</u>												

TABLE B* - EMPLOYEES TO BE ASSIGNED TO CITY OF URBANA CONTRACT

Job Categories	TOTAL EMPLOYEES		BLACK EMPLOYEES		HISPANIC EMPLOYEES		OTHER MINORITY EMPLOYEES	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Officials & Mgrs								
Professionals								
Technicians								
Sales Workers								
Office & Clerical								
Craft Workers (Skilled)								
Operatives (Semi-Skilled)								
Laborers (Unskilled)								
Service Workers								
TOTAL								

*Totals included in Table B should be a projection of numbers of persons to be employed in the performance of the City contract.

For Contractors: Data provided in Table B will be verified by worksite inspections.

TABLE C - WORKFORCE TURNOVER SINCE PREVIOUS EEO REPORT

Job Categories	TOTAL EMPLOYEES SEPARATED		MINORITY EMPLOYEES SEPARATED		TOTAL EMPLOYEES HIRED		MINORITY EMPLOYEES HIRED	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Officials & Mgrs					1			
Professionals	1							
Technicians								
Sales Workers								
Office & Clerical								
Craft Workers (Skilled)								
Operatives (Semi-Skilled)								
Laborers (Unskilled)								
Service Workers								
TOTAL								

SECTION IV. Certification

By signing below, the company certifies that it has answered all of the foregoing questions truthfully to the best of its knowledge and belief and agrees that it/he/she will comply and abide by the City of Urbana's Code of Ordinances (Section 2-119).

Tonya Horn
Signature

Tonya Horn, President
Printed Name and Title

tonya@rogers.com
E-mail Address

9/12/16
Date

SECTION V. Verification

Prior to submitting this form, please check the answers to the following questions to verify your completion of this form:

1. Did you fill in all of the appropriate boxes in the table in Section III, including the "TOTAL" row?

YES X

NO _____

2. Have you enclosed your company's EEO statement?

YES Y

NO _____

3. Have you enclosed your company's Sexual Harassment policy?

YES Y

NO _____

DEFINITIONS OF TERMS LISTED ON THE WORKFORCE STATISTICS FORM

(See previous Page)

DESCRIPTION OF RACE/ETHNIC CATEGORIES

Race /ethnic designations as used by the Department do not denote scientific definitions of anthropological origins. For the purposes of this report, an employee may be included in the group to which he or she appears to belong, identifies with, or is regarded in the community as belonging. However, no person should be counted in more than *one* race/ethnic group. The race/ethnic categories for this report are:

White (Not of Hispanic origin). All persons having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, North Africa or the Middle East.

Black of African-American (Not of Hispanic origin). All persons having origins in any of the Black racial groups of Africa.

Hispanic or Latino. All persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central of South American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.

Asian or Pacific Islander. All persons having origins any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian Subcontinent, or the Pacific Islands. This area includes, for example, China, India, Japan, Korea, the Philippine Islands and Samoa.

American Indian or Alaskan Native. All persons having origins in any of the original peoples of North America, and who maintain cultural identification through tribal affiliation or community recognition.

DESCRIPTION OF JOB CATEGORIES

Each employee should be counted in only one job category. Select the category containing the jobs most similar to that performed by the employee. The jobs listed in each category are intended to provide an example, not a complete list, of all job titles falling into that category.

Officials and managers. Occupations requiring administrative and managerial personnel who set broad policies, exercise overall responsibility for execution of these policies, and direct individual departments or special phases of firm's operations. Includes: officials, executives, middle management, plant managers, department managers, and superintendents, salaried supervisors who are members of management, purchasing agents and buyers, railroad conductors and yard masters, ship captains, mates and other officers farm operators and managers, and kindred workers.

Professionals. Occupations requiring either college graduation or experience of such kind and amount as to provide a comparable background. Includes: accountants and auditors, airplane pilots and navigators, architects, artists, chemists, designers, dietitians, editors, engineers, layers, librarians, mathematicians, natural scientist, registered professional nurses, personnel and labor relations specialist, physical scientist, physicians, social scientist, teachers, surveyors and kindred workers.

Technicians. Occupations requiring a combination of basic scientific knowledge and manual skill which can be obtained through 2 years of post high school education, such as is offered in many technical institutes and union colleges, or through equivalent on-the-job training. Include: computer programmers, drafters, engineering aides, junior engineers, mathematical aides, licensed, practical or vocational nurses, photographers, radio operators, scientific assistants, technical illustrators, technicians (medical, dental, electronic, physical science), and kindred workers.

Sales. Occupations engaging wholly or primarily in direct selling. Includes: advertising agents and sales workers, insurance agents and brokers, real estate agents, and brokers, stock and bond sales workers, demonstrators, sales workers and sales clerks, grocery clerks, and cashiers/checkers, and kindred workers.

Office and clerical. Includes all clerical-type work regardless of level of difficulty, where the activities are predominantly non manual though some manual work not directly involved with altering or transporting the products is included. Includes: bookkeepers, collectors (bills and accounts), messengers and office helpers, office machine operators (including computer), shipping and receiving clerks, stenographers, typists and secretaries, telegraph and telephone operators, legal assistants, and kindred workers.

Craft workers (skilled). Manual workers of relatively high skill level having a thorough and comprehensive knowledge of the processes involved in their work. Exercise considerable independent judgment and usually receive an extensive period of training. Includes: the building trades, hourly paid supervisors and lead operators who are not members of occupations, compositors and typesetters, electricians, engravers, painters (construction and maintenance), motion picture projectionists, pattern and model makers, stationary hand painters, coaters, bakers, decorating occupations, and kindred workers.

Operatives (semiskilled). Workers who operate machine or processing equipment or perform other factory-type duties of intermediate skill level which can be mastered in a few weeks and require only limited training. Includes: apprentices (auto service and stitchers, dryers, furnace workers, heaters, laundry and dry cleaning operatives, milliners, mine operatives and laborers, motor operators, oilers and greasers (except auto), painters (manufactured articles), photographic process workers, truck and tractor drivers, knitting, looping, taping and weaving machine operators, welders and flame cutters, electrical and electronic equipment assemblers, butchers and meatcutters, inspectors, testers and graders, handpackers and packagers, and kindred workers.

Laborers (unskilled). Workers in manual occupations which generally require no special training who perform elementary duties that may be learned in a few days and require the application of little or no independent judgment. Includes: garage laborers, car washers and greasers, groundskeepers and gardeners, farmworkers, stevedores, wood choppers, laborers performing lifting, digging, mixing, loading and pulling operation and kindred workers.

Service workers. Workers in both protective and nonprotective service occupations. Includes: Attendants (hospital and other institutions, professional and personal service, including nurses aides, and orderlies), barbers, charworkers and cleaners, cooks, counter and fountain workers, elevator operators, firefighters and fire protection, guards, doorkeepers, stewards, janitors, police officers and detectives, porters, waiters and waitresses, amusement and recreation facilities attendants, guides, ushers, public transportation attendants, and kindred workers.



ILLINOIS

Bruce Rauner, Governor

DEPARTMENT OF CENTRAL MANAGEMENT SERVICES

March 28, 2016

Tonya Horn
H H Office, Inc.
214 S. Walnut Street
Champaign, IL 61820-4928

Certification Term Expires: March 17, 2017

Dear Business Owner:

Re: (FBE) Full Certification Approval

Congratulations! We are pleased to inform you that your firm has been granted certification as a Female Business Enterprise (FBE) under the Business Enterprise Program (BEP) for Minorities, Females, and Persons with Disabilities.

Although your full certification is valid for a five-year term until March 17, 2021, you are required to submit an annual Affidavit of No-Change form 60 days prior to the anniversary day of your certification; you will be notified by BEP to update your certification as a condition of continued certification. It is your responsibility to ensure that your firm's certification remains current. In addition, should any changes occur in ownership and/or control of the business or other changes affecting the firm's operations, you are required to notify this office within 14 business days of such changes. Failure to return the annual No-Change Affidavit or notify our office of any changes will result in decertification of your firm.

Please be advised, while this certification does not guarantee you will receive a State contract, it does assure your firm the opportunity to participate in the State's procurement process. Your firm's participation on State contracts will be credited only toward Female Business Enterprise (FBE) goals in your area(s) of specialty. Your firm's name will appear in the State's Directory as a certified vendor with the Business Enterprise Program (BEP) in the specialty area(s) of:

FURNITURE, VISUAL DISPLAY
FURNITURE, DATA PROCESSING
FOLDING TABLES AND STACKING CHAIRS
MODULAR PANELS
FURNITURE, METAL OFFICE
FURNITURE, EXECUTIVE

Please visit our website at www.sell2.illinois.gov to obtain information about current and upcoming procurement opportunities, contracts, forms, and also to register to receive email alerts when the State is preparing to purchase a product or service you may provide.

Thank you for your participation in the Business Enterprise Program (BEP). We welcome your participation and wish you continued success.

Sincerely,


Carlos Gutierrez
Certification Manager
Business Enterprise Program

100 W Randolph St., Suite 4-100, Chicago, IL 60601

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY POLICY

This is to state that it is the policy of Rogards Office Plus. to act in accordance with all local, state and federal Equal Employment Opportunity guidelines and procedures. This policy is in accordance with the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Equal Employment Act of 1972, and all applicable laws. Rogards also strives to assure compliance with the Illinois Fair Employment Practices Act, the Illinois Human Rights Act, City of Urbana Human Rights Ordinance and all other laws pertaining to equal employment opportunity.

Rogards Office Plus policy includes recruiting, hiring, training, upgrading, promoting, and disciplining without regard to any of the protected classes found in local, state or federal E.E.O. laws. Rogards has developed procedures to assure this policy is understood and carried out by managerial, administrative, and supervisory personnel.

ASSIGNMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY: Rogards has undertaken a positive E.E.O. Program to effectively implement and enforce this policy at all times. The EEO officer or person designated for monitoring the company's E.E.O. Program is: Tonya Horn, President.

PROCEDURES FOR DISSEMINATION OF POLICY: A copy of this statement is posted in the main office at 214 S Walnut St. Champaign, IL and copies of the policy are available to employees, vendors and/or subcontractors.

UTILIZATION ANALYSIS: Rogards will monitor its workforce and job classifications. It will analyze availability and under-utilization and respond accordingly. Rogards will attempt to advertise job vacancies in places where minorities and females may more likely become aware of job openings.

GOALS AND TIMETABLES: Rogards will identify those areas within its workforce in which minorities and women are being under-utilized and set up a system of goals and timetables for correcting the deficiencies.

SYSTEM FOR MONITORING COMPLIANCE AND RECRUITMENT OF WORKFORCE: When adding new employees Rogards policy is to assure there are minorities and females in the applicant pool. Rogards supports EEO programs.

SYSTEM OF RECORDS AND ANNUAL SUMMARY: Rogards will monitor applicant data, employee records, and job descriptions to assist in its Equal Employment efforts.

SEXUAL HARRASSMENT POLICY

STATEMENT OF COMPANY POLICY

This company is committed to providing a workplace that is free from all forms of discrimination, including sexual harassment. Any employee's behavior that fits the definition of sexual harassment is a form of misconduct which may result in disciplinary action up to and including dismissal. Sexual harassment could also subject this company and, in some cases, an individual to substantial civil penalties.

The company's policy on sexual harassment is part of its overall affirmative action efforts pursuant to state and federal laws prohibiting discrimination based on age, race, color, religion, national origin, citizenship status, unfavorable discharge from the military, marital status, disability and gender. Specifically, sexual harassment is prohibited by the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended in 1991, and the Illinois Human Rights Act.

Each employee of this company bears the responsibility to refrain from sexual harassment in the workplace. No employee – male or female – should be subjected to unsolicited or unwelcome sexual overtures or conduct in the workplace. Furthermore, it is the responsibility of all supervisors to make sure that the work environment is free from sexual harassment. All forms of discrimination and conduct which can be considered harassing, coercive or disruptive, or which create a hostile or offensive environment must be eliminated. Instances of sexual harassment must be investigated in a prompt and effective manner.

All employees of this company, particularly those in a supervisory or management capacity, are expected to become familiar with the contents of this Policy and to abide by the requirements it establishes.

DEFINITION OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT

According to the Illinois Human Rights Act, sexual harassment is defined as:

Any unwelcome sexual advances or requests for sexual favors or any conduct of a sexual nature when:

- (1) submission to such conduct is made, either explicitly or implicitly, a term or condition of an individual's employment.
- (2) submission to or rejection of such conduct by an individual is used as the basis for employment decisions affecting such individual, or
- (3) such conduct has the purpose or effect of substantially interfering with an individual's work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive working environment.

The courts have determined that sexual harassment is a form of discrimination under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended in 1991.

One example of sexual harassment is where a qualified individual is denied employment opportunities and benefits that are, instead, awarded to an individual who submits (voluntarily or under coercion) to sexual advances or sexual favors. Another example is where an individual must submit to unwelcome sexual conduct in order to receive an employment opportunity.

Other conduct commonly considered to be sexual harassment includes:

- Verbal: sexual innuendos, suggestive comments, insults, humor and jokes about sex, anatomy or gender-specific traits, sexual propositions, threats, repeated requests for dates, or statements about other employees, even outside their presence, of a sexual nature.
- Non-verbal: Suggestive or insulting sounds (whistling), leering, obscene gestures, sexually suggestive bodily gestures, “catcalls”, “smacking”, or “kissing” noises.
- Visual: posters, signs, pin-ups or slogans of a sexual nature.
- Physical: Touching, unwelcome hugging or kissing, pinching, brushing the body, coerced sexual intercourse, or actual assault.

Sexual harassment most frequently involves a man harassing a woman. However, it can also involve a woman harassing a man or harassment between members of the same gender.

The most severe and overt forms of sexual harassment are easier to determine. On the other end of the spectrum, some sexual harassment is more subtle and depends to some extent on the individual perception and interpretation. The trend in the courts is to assess sexual harassment by a standard of what would offend a “reasonable woman” or “reasonable man”, depending on the gender of the alleged victim.

An example of the most subtle form of sexual harassment is the use of endearments. The use of terms such as “honey”, “darling”, and “sweetheart” is objectionable to many women who believe that these terms undermine their authority and their ability to deal with men on an equal and professional level.

Another example is the use of a compliment that could potentially be interpreted as sexual in nature. Below are three statements that might be made about the appearance of a woman in the workplace:

“That’s an attractive dress you have on.”

“That’s an attractive dress. It really looks good on you.”

“That’s an attractive dress. You really fill it out well.”

The first statement appears to be simply a compliment. The last is the most likely to be perceived as sexual harassment depending on the perceptions and values of the person to whom it is directed. To avoid the possibility of offending an employee, it is best to follow a course of conduct above reproach, or to err on the side of caution.

RESPONSIBILITY OF INDIVIDUAL EMPLOYEES

Each individual employee has the responsibility to refrain from sexual harassment in the workplace.

An individual employee who sexually harasses a fellow worker is, of course, liable for his or her individual conduct.

The harassing employee will be subject to disciplinary action up to and including discharge in accord with the company’s disciplinary policy and the terms of any applicable collective bargaining agreement.

The company has designated Tonya Horn, President to coordinate the company’s sexual harassment policy compliance. Tonya can be reached at 214 S. Walnut St., Champaign, IL 217-359-1795. She is available to consult with employees regarding their obligations under this policy.

RESPONSIBILITY OF SUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES.

Each supervisor is responsible for maintaining the workplace free from sexual harassment. This is accomplished by promoting a professional environment and by dealing with sexual harassment as with all other forms of employee misconduct.

The courts have found that organizations as well as supervisors can be held liable for damages related to sexual harassment by a manager, supervisor, employee, or third party (an individual who is not an employee but does business with an organization, such as a customer, contractor, sales representative, or repair person).

Liability is either based on an organization’s responsibility to maintain a certain level of order and discipline, or on the supervisor acting an agent of the organization. As such, supervisors must act quickly and responsibly not only to minimize their own liability but also that of the company.

Specifically, a supervisor must address an observed incident of sexual harassment or a complaint, with seriousness, take prompt action to investigate it, report it and end it,

implement appropriate disciplinary action, and observe strict confidentiality. This also applies to cases where an employee tells the supervisor about behavior that constitutes sexual harassment but does not want to make a formal complaint.

In addition, supervisors must ensure that no retaliation will result against an employee making a sexual harassment complaint.

Supervisors in need of information regarding their obligations under this policy or procedures to follow upon receipt of a complaint of sexual harassment should contact Tonya Horn, President at 214 S. Walnut St., Champaign, IL 217-359-1795.

PROCEDURES FOR FILING A COMPLAINT OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT.

INTERNAL

An employee who either observes or believes herself/himself to be the object of sexual harassment should deal with the incident(s) as directly and firmly as possible by clearly communicating her/his position to the supervisor, EEO Officer*, and to the offending employee. It is not necessary for the sexual harassment to be directed at the person making the complaint.

Each incident of sexual harassment should be documented or recorded. A note should be made of the date, time, place, and what was said or done, and by whom. The documentation may be augmented by written records such as letters, notes, memos, and telephone messages.

No one making a complaint of sexual harassment will be retaliated against even if a complaint made in good faith is not substantiated. Any witness to an incident of sexual harassment is also protected from retaliation.

The process for making a complaint about sexual harassment falls into several stages.

1. **DIRECT COMMUNICATION.** If there is sexually harassing behavior in the workplace, the harassed employee should directly and clearly express her/his objection that the conduct is unwelcome and request that the offending behavior stop. The initial message may be verbal. If subsequent messages are needed, they should be put in writing in a note or a memo.
2. **CONTACT SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL.** At the same time direct communication is undertaken, or in the event the employee feels threatened or intimidated by the situation, the problem must be promptly reported to the immediate supervisor or the EEO Officer. If the harasser is the immediate

supervisor, the problem should be reported to the next level of supervision or the EEO Officer.

3. FORMAL WRITTEN COMPLAINT. An employee may also report incidents of sexual harassment directly to the EEO Officer. The EEO Officer will counsel the reporting employee and be available to assist with filing a formal complaint. The Company will fully investigate the complaint, and will advise the complainant and the alleged harasser of the results of the investigation.

EXTERNAL

The Company hopes that any incident of sexual harassment can be resolved through the internal process outlined above. All employees, however, have the right to file formal charges with the Illinois Department of Human Rights (IDHR) and/or the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC). A charge with the IDHR must be filed within 180 days of the incident of sexual harassment. A charge with the EEOC must be filed within 300 days of the incident.

The Illinois Department of Human Rights (IDHR) may be contacted as follows:

CHICAGO	312-814-6200	
SPRINGFIELD	217-785-5100	
SPRINGFIELD TTY	217-785-5125	www.state.il.us/dhr/

The United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) can be contacted as follows:

CHICAGO	800-669-4000	
TDD	800-669-6820	www.eeoc.gov

An employee who is suddenly transferred to a lower paying job or passed over for promotion after filing a complaint with the IDHR or EEOC may file a retaliation charge with either of these agencies. The charges must be filed within 180 (IDHR) or 300 (EEOC) days of the retaliation.

An employee who has been physically harassed or threatened while on the job may also have grounds for criminal charges of assault and battery.

FALSE AND FRIVOLOUS COMPLAINTS

False and frivolous charges refer to cases where the accuser is using a sexual harassment complaint to accomplish some end other than stopping sexual harassment. It does not refer to charges made in good faith which cannot be proven. Given the seriousness of the consequences for the accused, a false and frivolous charge is severe offense that can itself result in disciplinary action.