

# Equal Pay Act Complaint

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Taken by:	Office:	Employee Name:
Date filed:	Violation:	Case #:
Action:	SIC #:	

**PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE ALL INFORMATION**  
Refer to the accompanying Guide to assist you in filling out this form.

## PRELIMINARY QUESTIONS

**\*\*The following questions are asked in relation to your current complaint \*\***

1. Do you claim you were paid less than an employee of the opposite sex, of another race, or of another ethnicity, who is performing substantially similar work?  
 YES  NO  
 If Yes, is the pay disparity based on:  SEX  RACE  ETHNICITY  
 Provide your demographic information related to the basis of your claim i.e. provide your SEX if pay disparity is based on SEX.  
 SEX:  Female  Male  Other \_\_\_\_\_  
 RACE: (Mark all that apply)  
 American Indian, Native American, Alaskan Native  
 Asian  
 Black or African American  
 Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander  
 White  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_  
 ETHNICITY:  
 Hispanic or Latino  
 Non-Hispanic or Latino

2. Did you speak with a Labor Commissioner Investigator during an inspection at your worksite?  
 YES, on: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (DD/MM/YY) Name of Investigator: \_\_\_\_\_  NO

3. Have you made a previous **wage claim** against your employer with the Labor Commissioner? In which District Office? \_\_\_\_\_  
 YES, on: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (DD/MM/YY)  NO **[If you have unpaid wages, you may file a wage claim by filling out another form, [DLSE Form 1](#).**

4. Are other employees also filing Equal Pay Act (California Labor Code §1197.5) claims against your employer?  
 YES  NO  I DON'T KNOW

## Part 1: LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE & REPRESENTATION

5a. Do you need an interpreter?  Y  N 5b. If you checked "YES" to Box 5a, enter language needed: \_\_\_\_\_

6a. If you are being helped with your claim by a lawyer or other advocate, enter your ADVOCATE'S NAME and ORGANIZATION: \_\_\_\_\_ 6b. ADVOCATE'S PHONE ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

6c. ADVOCATE'S MAILING ADDRESS (Number, Street, Floor, Suite) \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_ 6d. ADVOCATE'S EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

## Part 2: EMPLOYER INFORMATION

7. EMPLOYER / BUSINESS NAME(S) \_\_\_\_\_ 8. EMPLOYER'S VEHICLE LICENSE PLATE # \_\_\_\_\_ 9. EMPLOYER'S PHONE ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

10. ADDRESS of EMPLOYER / BUSINESS (Street Number, Street Name, Floor, Suite): \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_

11. ADDRESS where you worked, if different from Box 10 (Number, Street, Floor, Suite): \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_

12. NAME of PERSON IN CHARGE (First Name, Last Name) \_\_\_\_\_ 13. JOB TITLE / POSITION of PERSON IN CHARGE \_\_\_\_\_

14. TYPE OF BUSINESS \_\_\_\_\_ 15. TYPE OF WORK PERFORMED \_\_\_\_\_ 16. TOTAL NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES \_\_\_\_\_ 17. EMPLOYER STILL IN BUSINESS?  YES  NO  I DON'T KNOW

18. Check which box describes your employer:  CORPORATION  INDIVIDUAL/DBA  PARTNERSHIP  LLC  LLP  I DON'T KNOW

## Part 3: EMPLOYMENT STATUS

18. Are you still employed by the employer?  YES  NO  
 If you checked "NO", indicate reason:  QUIT  DISCHARGED  SUSPENDED  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

20. If you no longer work for the employer, what was your final rate of pay? \$ \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
 (for example, \$10/hour)

PRINT YOUR EMPLOYER'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Part 4: YOUR COMPLAINT

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Please see the Instructions Sheet to help you answer the following questions. Give a written statement to each question. An incomplete form will result in delays. While it is important to know the names of management involved, **do not include the names of any of your witnesses on this page.**

21. What is your job title and/or occupation?

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22. What are your job duties?

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23. How much are you paid? Include all your compensation (wages, bonuses, commissions, other).

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24. Who are the employees being paid more than you?

Employee 1

- a. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ b. Job Position: \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Job Duties: \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Sex, Race, Ethnicity: \_\_\_\_\_
- e. Location: \_\_\_\_\_
- f. Wage Rate (Include all of this employee's compensation): \_\_\_\_\_

Employee 2

- a. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ b. Job Position: \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Job Duties: \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Sex, Race, Ethnicity: \_\_\_\_\_
- e. Location: \_\_\_\_\_
- f. Wage Rate (Include all of this employee's compensation): \_\_\_\_\_

**If there are more than two employees, please attached an additional sheet with more information.**

25. Have you asked your employer why you are paid less than your co-worker?  YES  NO

d. If yes, what was the employer's response? Are the reasons that your employer gave untrue? Please explain.

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e. If no, what reason do you think the employer would give to explain the unequal pay?

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26. Do you believe that you have also been retaliated against because you exercised your rights under the Equal Pay Act? If so, fill out and submit the "Retaliation Complaint" form ([RCI-1](#))

PRINT YOUR EMPLOYER'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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**\*THIS PAGE IS CONFIDENTIAL\***

**Part 5: YOUR INFORMATION**

The name of the complainant shall be confidential until the Labor Commissioner establishes the validity of the complaint, unless the complainant's name must be disclosed to investigate the complaint. The complainant's name shall remain confidential if the complaint is withdrawn before the complainant's name is disclosed.

27. Your FIRST NAME	28. Your LAST NAME	29. HOME PHONE ( )	30. OTHER PHONE ( )	31. BIRTH DATE
32. Your MAILING ADDRESS (Street Number, Street Name, Apartment Number)		CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE

33. EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_ 34. Your Date of Hire \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (DD/MM/YY)

**NEW EMPLOYMENT**

Have you started a new job? Yes No

Date you started new job: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (DD/MM/YY)

Name of New Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Rate of pay: \$ \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (for example, \$10/hour)

**Part 6: WITNESSES**

All witnesses are kept confidential. The Labor Commissioner will not reveal their identities unless it becomes necessary to proceed with the investigation or to enforce the Labor Commissioner's determination.

35. Please list any witnesses who can support your Equal Pay Act claim. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Witness Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe the information they have in connection to your complaint: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Witness Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe the information they have in connection to your complaint: \_\_\_\_\_

**Part 7: REMEDIES**

Briefly describe what kind of remedy or solution you are seeking. What do you hope happens as a result of filing this complaint?

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*I hereby certify that the information I have provided is true to the best of my knowledge and/or recollection.*

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_