

Agreement to Participate in REDRESS™, an Alternate Dispute Resolution Process

Case No.

Date of Contact

I, _____, have been advised that, in accordance with 29 C.F.R. §1614.105(f), I have the option of participating in mediation instead of the counseling process. The EEO complaints processing office has given me information about the mediation procedure, and I voluntarily agree to participate in REDRESS™ mediation during the pre-complaint processing period. I am aware that REDRESS™ mediation sessions are confidential, and that resolutions reached during the procedure are handled in the same manner as are resolutions reached during the counseling process. In signing this agreement, I acknowledge that the pre-complaint processing period will be 90 calendar days. If the matter that I brought to the dispute resolution specialist's attention has not been resolved before the 90th day, I have the right to file a formal complaint at any time thereafter up to 15 calendar days after receiving ny notice of right to file a discrimination complaint.

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Signature of Counselor

Date