# UNITED STATES

### NAVAL SPECIAL WARFARE COMMAND

(COMNAVSPECWARCOM)

## CIVILIAN EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY (EEO) PROGRAM



### **COMPLAINT PROCESS**

Any current employee, former employee and applicant for employment of Naval Special Warfare Command and its subordinate commands who believes that he or she has been discriminated against based on these factors: RACE, COLOR, NATIONAL ORIGIN, AGE (40 OR OLDER), SEX (TO INCLUDE SEXUAL ORIENTATION AND PREGNANCY), RELIGION, PHYSICAL OR MENTAL DISABILITY, GENETIC INFORMATION OR REPRISAL FOR PREVIOUS EEO ACTIVITY is entitled to consult an EEO Counselor to try to resolve the matter. The matter must be brought to the attention of an EEO Counselor within 45 CALENDAR DAYS from the date the alleged act occurred, the effective date of an alleged personnel action, or the date that the individual knew or reasonably should have known that it occurred.

The EEO Counselor is required to make an informal inquiry necessary to seek a resolution or, if the resolution attempt fails, to be able to provide a verbal report to the complainant. Individuals have the right to remain anonymous during the INFORMAL EEO counseling stage. If after 30 days (or 90 days if the individual grants an extension), the EEO Counselor is unable to resolve the matter to the satisfaction of the individual involved, the EEO Counselor will issue a Notice of Final Interview (NOFI). The EEO Counselor will inform the individual in writing of his or her right to file a FORMAL EEO complaint. The NOFI will contain the applicable time requirements (15 calendar days from the date of receipt of the NOFI to file a FORMAL EEO complaint), the name and address of the official authorized to receive FORMAL EEO complaint of discrimination, and information regarding EEO complaint process.

Any form of discrimination is a direct violation of United States Federal Regulations. Discrimination and harassment in the workplace undermines COMNAVSPECWARCOM's mission and <u>it will not be tolerated</u>. Harassment includes, but is not limited to, any unwelcome verbal or physical conduct that has the effect of interfering with a person's work performance or creates an intimidating, offensive, or hostile environment. Harassing behavior can include, but is not limited to, epithets; slurs; jokes; name calling; obscene gestures or sounds; obscene, vulgar, or abusive language; threatening, intimidating, or hostile acts; physical assault; and written or graphic material on DON premises, or circulated in the workplace, including electronically.

All reported work place incidents of harassment based on discriminatory factors listed above and non-discriminatory factors will be investigated in a timely manner. Appropriate corrective action, including discipline against the individual or individuals who were found to have harassed or discriminated against a civilian employee, will be taken.

If you wish to talk to an EEO Counselor to gain information regarding EEO/discrimination in the work place, file an EEO complaint, raise an issue of harassment, or request ADR, please call (813) 939-2903 or email <a href="mailto:nsw.01.eeo.dl@socom.mil">nsw.01.eeo.dl@socom.mil</a>. For more information on specific EEO program, please access the EEO Office, COMNAVSPECWARCOM's web portal to find out detailed information about the EEO processes and options you have as a civilian employee, former employee or an applicant. <a href="https://socom.sharepoint-mil.us/sites/nsw-eeo">https://socom.sharepoint-mil.us/sites/nsw-eeo</a>

### EEO PROGRAM INFORMATION

ADR: Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) is an option for those wishing to resolve disputes and problems via informal, party-driven methods- including Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) complaints, grievances, and/or litigation. ADR offers the chance to let others know how you view the situation, as well as offers an opportunity to work out a mutually agreeable resolution.

EEO ADR Requests: nsw.01.eeo.dl@socom.mil or (813) 939-2903

Non-EEO ADR Requests: NSW.NSWC.HR.DL@socom.mil or (619) 537-1263

Reasonable Accommodation (RA): An accommodation is any change in the work environment or in the way things are customarily done that enables an individual with a disability to enjoy equal employment opportunities. Personal Assistance Services (PAS) are defined as "assistance with performing activities of daily living that an individual would typically perform if he or she did not have a disability, and that is not otherwise required as a reasonable accommodation." If you are requesting Reasonable Accommodation or PAS, please contact: RA/PAS Requests: <a href="mailto:nsw.ra.dl@socom.mil">nsw.01.eeo.nsw.ra.dl@socom.mil</a> or (813) 939-2903

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Non-EEO Harassment: NSW.Harassment.HWE.DL@socom.mil or 619-348-7143

Special Emphasis Program (SEP) and Affirmative Employment Program (AEP): The purpose of SEPs is to improve employment and advancement opportunities for members of specific groups, individually. Examples of SEPs are Federal Women's Program (FWP), Hispanic Employment Program (HEP), Individuals with Disabilities Program (IWDP), Asian American/Pacific Islander Employment Program (AAEP), American Indian/Alaskan Native Employment Program (AIEP), and Black Employment Program (BEP). SEPs were first established by law, regulation, and Executive authority in the 1960s and 1970s. The Affirmative Employment Program (AEP) focuses on equality for all members of all groups. AEP/ SEP POC: <a href="mailto:nsw.01.eeo.dl@socom.mil">nsw.01.eeo.dl@socom.mil</a> or (813) 939-2919

# **EEO COMPLAINT PROCESS PER 29 CFR 1614** Informal EEO Complaint 45 Calendar Days to Report **EEO Counselor Contact** 30 or 90 days (with an extension/ ADR) to Counsel Final Interview Formal EEO Complaint 15 Calendar Days to file 180 Calendar Days to Investigate Report of Investigation Issued 30 Calendar Days to Request Final Agency Decision (FAD) or Hearing at EEOC\* EEOC\* Hearing FAD No Hearing (OR) 60 Days to Issue a FAD Depends on EEOC\* Appeal to OFO\*\* if Desired \*EEOC—Equal Employment Opportunity Commission \*\* Office of Federal Operations EEO Office Contact Information (Phone/Email or TEAMS): Joshua A. Collins, EEO Director (813) 939-2919 Mario Villalba, EEO Specialist (813) 939-2903 Email: nsw.01.eeo.dl@socom.mil