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 Your record number is: **23539-GFW**

What to expect

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1 we review your report

Our specialists in the Civil Rights Division carefully read every report to identify civil rights violations, spot trends, and determine if we have authority to help with your report.

2 Our specialists determine the next step

We may decide to:

Open an investigation or take some other action within the legal authority of the Justice Department.

Collect more information before we can look into your report.

Recommend another government agency that can properly look into your report. If so, we'll let you know.

In some cases, we may determine that we don't have legal authority to handle your report and will recommend that you seek help from a private lawyer or local legal aid organization.

3 When possible, we will follow up with you

We do our best to let you know about the outcome of our review. However, we may not always be able to provide you with updates because:

We're actively working on an investigation or case related to your report.

We're receiving and actively reviewing many requests at the same time.

If we are able to respond, we will contact you using the contact information you provided in this report. Depending on the type of report, response times can vary. If you need to reach us about your report, please refer to your report number when contacting us. This is how we keep track of your submission.

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What you can do next

1 Contact local legal aid organizations or a lawyer if you haven't already

Legal aid offices or members of lawyer associations in your state may be able to help you with your issue."

American Bar Association, visit www.findlegalhelp.org or call (800) 285-2221

Legal Service Corporation (or Legal Aid Offices), visit www.lsc.gov/find-legal-aid or call (202) 295-1500

2 Get help immediately if you are in danger

If you reported an incident where you or someone else has experienced or is still experiencing physical harm or violence, or are in immediate danger, please call [911](#) and contact the police.

Your submission

Contact

Your name

Your name

chris wilson

Contact information

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Email address

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Phone number

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Address

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bennettsville, South Carolina 29512

Are you now or have ever been an active duty service member?

No

Primary concern

What is your primary reason for contacting the Civil Rights Division?

Discrimination at a school, educational program or service, or related to receiving education

Does your situation involve physical harm or threats of violence?

No

Location

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Did this happen at a public or a private school, educational program or activity?

Private school or educational program

Where did this happen?

Location name

Kenzie Academy

Address

47 S Meridian Street

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Indianapolis, Indiana

Personal characteristics

Do you believe any of these personal characteristics influenced why you were treated this way?

Age

Disability (including temporary or recovery)

Gender identity (including gender stereotypes)

Race/color

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Date**When did this happen?**

7/15/2020

Personal description**In your own words, describe what happened**

I started Kenzie July 2019 and have been a student until July 2020. Part of my agreement with Kenzie Academy is that they assist me with job placement after graduation. Being disabled I figured I needed all the assistance I could get! I

noticed that, during my time as a student with Kenzie Academy, they had started programs that were available only to Black, Brown and Indigenous people.

Sharmin started a zoom based program where the white people were told they could attend but to be silent it wasn't about them. Also, I was on one Zoom conference and one of the students were telling their story about discrimination as an LGBTQ person, and they were told to be quite this wasn't about them.

Before I left the Zoom channel Sharmin told the group that she would DM "some of them" about a new program that would be available. As a During that During

these past two months of "placement" I have been denied access to their mentorship program, while others have been given access to free mentors to assist them with job placement and development. This is included in the ISA and

is not an extra fee. I noticed over the past two months all manners of students were talking about their mentors while I hadn't received an option for one. I

contacted the placement committee and was told, through slack, that the mentors were available as a "diversity initiative" and "Focus was ethnic/racial diversity". I believe that due to my age, sex, race and disability status that I am

being denied the same opportunities from Kenzie Academy that others are receiving. All the information and interactions should be stored on their Slack app. I am sure that you will find there are other cases with people that are

attending Kenzie Academy. I don't think it's too m

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