

December 3, 2008

Cantor Daniel Gale
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Dear Mr. Gale:

At this time the Central Regional Office of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights is accepting nominees for the Alabama Advisory Committee. Because you have only been recommended as a possible nominee at this time, please do not consider this letter to be an offer of appointment. You were highly recommended by the Birmingham Jewish Federation Jewish Community Relations Committee. The Commission is seeking influential persons who are knowledgeable about civil rights in your state and interested in serving on such a Committee. To give you some background, the Commission has established Advisory Committees in each State and the District of Columbia. Each Advisory Committee is chartered and its members appointed by the Commission for a two-year term. They serve without compensation but are reimbursed for travel, lodging, and meals in connection with Committee activities.

Primarily, the Alabama Advisory Committees serve to advise the Commission concerning legal developments constituting a denial of equal protection of the laws under the Constitution because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, or handicap, or in the administration of justice.

Major activities of the Advisory Committee include fact finding meetings, informational conferences and investigative studies on both local and national civil rights issues. Most of these activities result in reports which are transmitted to the Commission.

Committee members are recruited from a broad cross-section of professional, education, and political backgrounds. The Commission is especially interested in appointing individuals who have a demonstrated interest in the various civil rights issues that fall within the Commission's jurisdiction, as well as individuals who have a background in social science, statistics, technical writing and law. If you are interested in serving on the Alabama Advisory Committee please complete the CCR Forms 16-A and B and return with your current resume as soon as possible but no later than December 15, 2008. In order to expedite our receipt of your information before the above-referenced date please email the attached bio forms along with your current resume to my address at frobinson@usccr.gov

If you have questions at this time you may contact me at (913) 551-1400 or the above-referenced email.

For more information about the Commission and its Advisory Committees you may also visit our website at www.usccr.gov Thank you for your cooperation and I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

FARELLA E. ROBINSON
Regional Director
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Enclosures