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PRESS RELEASE

Fair Housing Legal Advice Line

Boise, Idaho 8/10/2011--Idaho Legal Aid has implemented a Fair Housing Legal Advice Line to address issues or questions about housing discrimination. The federal Fair Housing Act prohibits discrimination in the sale and rental of housing based on a person's race, color, national origin, sex, religion, disability, or familial status (the presence of children under the age of 18). The Fair Housing Legal Advice Line is funded by a Fair Housing Initiatives Program (FHIP) grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). In addition to a toll-free legal advice line, free public training opportunities and workshops are also available. You may call the legal advice line to obtain advice and assistance regarding:

Fair housing questions

Violations of fair housing laws

Fair housing fact sheets and other informational materials

A referral to other sources for fair housing information

A referral to other organizations that may help you with fair housing enforcement

Information and schedules of fair housing workshops and training opportunities conducted by the Fair Housing Legal Advice Line Staff

The Fair Housing Legal Advice Line serves residents of the State of Idaho regardless of income. For consumers as well as housing providers in the State of Idaho, there are many resources to contact for help regarding fair housing questions:

Telephone ILAS toll-free at: 1-866-345-0106 **or** 345-0106 in the Boise calling area, Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., M.S.T. (the advice line will be closed on holidays or whenever the local office is closed.) **En español** llamada gratis estatal, 1-866-954-2591 o 454-2591 en la área local de llamadas en Caldwell.

You may look at the ILAS web site at idaholegalaid.org for fair housing information and materials posted there, or e-mail fair housing staff at fairhousing@idaholegalaid.org.

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
1-800-669-9777, or (TDD) 1-800-927-9275, or on the web at www.hud.gov

Intermountain Fair Housing Council
(208) 383-0695 in Boise calling area, or statewide toll-free 1-800-717-0695
Or on the web at www.idahofairhousing.org

Idaho Human Rights Commission
(208) 334-2873 in Boise calling area, or 1-888-249-7025 (toll-free)

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