

LAW JUDGE SHALL NOTIFY THE COMMISSION, THE AGGRIEVED PERSON ON WHOSE BEHALF THE CHARGE WAS FILED, AND THE RESPONDENT IN WRITING OF THE REASONS FOR THE DELAY.

(3) (I) IF THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE FINDS THAT A RESPONDENT HAS ENGAGED OR IS ABOUT TO ENGAGE IN A DISCRIMINATORY HOUSING PRACTICE, THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE SHALL PROMPTLY ISSUE AN ORDER FOR APPROPRIATE RELIEF THAT MAY INCLUDE ACTUAL DAMAGES SUFFERED BY THE AGGRIEVED PERSON AND INJUNCTIVE OR OTHER EQUITABLE RELIEF.

(II) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (III) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE ORDER MAY ASSESS, ~~TO VINDICATE THE PUBLIC INTEREST AND~~ TO BE PAID TO THE GENERAL FUND OF THE STATE, A CIVIL PENALTY AGAINST THE RESPONDENT:

1. IN AN AMOUNT NOT EXCEEDING \$10,000 IF THE RESPONDENT HAS NOT BEEN ADJUDGED TO HAVE COMMITTED ANY PRIOR DISCRIMINATORY HOUSING PRACTICE;

2. IN AN AMOUNT NOT EXCEEDING \$25,000 IF THE RESPONDENT HAS BEEN ADJUDGED TO HAVE COMMITTED 1 OTHER DISCRIMINATORY HOUSING PRACTICE DURING THE 5-YEAR PERIOD ENDING ON THE DATE OF THE FILING OF THIS CHARGE; AND

3. IN AN AMOUNT NOT EXCEEDING \$50,000 IF THE RESPONDENT HAS BEEN ADJUDGED TO HAVE COMMITTED 2 OR MORE DISCRIMINATORY HOUSING PRACTICES DURING THE 7-YEAR PERIOD ENDING ON THE DATE OF THE FILING OF THIS CHARGE.

(III) IF THE ACTS CONSTITUTING THE DISCRIMINATORY HOUSING PRACTICE THAT IS THE OBJECT OF THE CHARGE ARE COMMITTED BY THE SAME NATURAL PERSON WHO HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY ADJUDGED TO HAVE COMMITTED ACTS CONSTITUTING A DISCRIMINATORY HOUSING PRACTICE, THEN THE CIVIL PENALTIES SET FORTH IN SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH MAY BE IMPOSED WITHOUT REGARD TO THE PERIOD OF TIME WITHIN WHICH ANY SUBSEQUENT DISCRIMINATORY HOUSING PRACTICE OCCURRED.

(4) NO ORDER ISSUED UNDER PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL AFFECT ANY CONTRACT, SALE, ENCUMBRANCE, OR LEASE CONSUMMATED BEFORE THE ISSUANCE OF THE ORDER AND INVOLVING A BONA FIDE PURCHASER, ENCUMBRANCER, OR TENANT WITHOUT ACTUAL NOTICE OF THE CHARGE FILED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

(5) (I) IF THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE FINDS THAT THE RESPONDENT HAS NOT ENGAGED ~~OR IS NOT ABOUT TO ENGAGE~~ IN A DISCRIMINATORY HOUSING PRACTICE, THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE SHALL ENTER AN ORDER DISMISSING THE CHARGE.