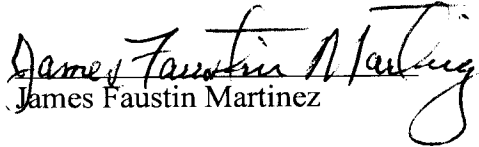


Supplemental Declaration of James Faustin Martinez

I, James Faustin Martinez, hereby state and declare the following:

1. I am over 18 years of age, Hispanic, and a United States citizen. My date of birth is June 9, 1951. My mailing address is 218 Riverwood Drive, Alamosa, Colorado 81101.
2. I have been farming for 32 years. I now own 188 acres and I lease an additional 240 acres in Alamosa Colorado, raising hay and cattle.
3. Since 1995, I have voted in the Local Administrative Area three "LAA-3" in Alamosa. In 2002, the County Committee ("COC") seat for LAA-3 was up for election. Cindy Hottel, the former County Executive Director ("CED") for the Alamosa FSA, personally asked me to run for this position. I ran and won, becoming the only Hispanic voting member on the Alamosa COC.
4. My seat for LAA-3 was up for election in 2005. Mr. Reeves, the new Alamosa CED, forbid me from running for re-election as the LAA-3 representative, and refused to give me an application.
5. On September 7, 2005 I submitted a written discrimination complaint to the United States Department of Agriculture's ("USDA") Office of Civil Rights ("OCR") detailing Mr. Reeves' discriminatory treatment towards me. I also sent a copy directly to Vernon Parker, USDA Assistant Secretary of Civil Rights and Annabelle Romero, USDA Deputy Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights.
6. On October 28, 2005 I received a letter acknowledging receipt of my complaint from Doris Rudolph, Acting Branch Manager, Program Complaints Division, of the Office of Civil Rights. This letter confirmed that the OCR considered my discrimination complaint to "constitute a complete complaint over which [they] have jurisdiction." I was also informed that as part of the investigation, an agency official would be contacting and interviewing me. Upon completion of the investigation, Ms. Rudolph states that I would receive a copy of the "Final Agency Decision."
7. Ms. Rudolph's letter is the last time the OCR has contacted me since filing my discrimination complaint. Over a year has now passed since I filed my complaint and received Ms. Rudolph's letter.
8. The OCR has still not investigated my complaint. I have never received a copy of the "Final Agency Decision," as was promised.

I have reviewed the foregoing Declaration, consisting of eight (8) numbered paragraphs, and declare, under penalty of perjury that it is true and correct to the best of my personal knowledge.


James Faustin Martinez

10/14/06
Date