## **NDAO Civil Rights Grievance Policy**

The Norfolk District Attorney's Office (NDAO) shall not harass and/or discriminate in providing services to individuals on the basis of race, color, creed, sex, religion, age, national origin or ancestry, handicap or disability, genetics, veteran status and national guard or reserve unit obligations, sexual orientation, gender identity or identification or any other characteristic protected by federal, state, or local law. All such discrimination is unlawful and prohibited by the NDAO.

## Complaints of Sexual Harassment or Discrimination

If any individual believes he or she has been subjected to harassment or discriminatory conduct by the NDAO, the individual has a right to file a complaint with the NDAO. This may be done in writing by contacting the following individuals:

Anne K. Fratalia Director of Human Resources 45 Shawmut Road, Canton, MA 02021 tel. 781-830-4856 fax: 781-830-4808 email: <u>anne.k.fratalia@state.ma.us</u>

Margaret R.S. Krippendorf First Assistant District Attorney 45 Shawmut Road, Canton, MA 02021 tel. 781-830-4830 fax: 781-830-4808 email: Margaret.krippendorf@massmail.state.ma.us

The above individuals are also available to discuss any concerns and to provide information about the NDAO's complaint process.

## State and Federal Remedies

In addition to the above, any individual who believes they have been subjected to harassment and/or discrimination by the NDAO may file a formal complaint with any of the following state or federal government agencies set forth below. Using the NDAO's complaint process does not prohibit an individual from filing a complaint with these agencies. Each of the agencies has a short time period for filing a claim (EEOC - 300 days). A state charge MUST be filed within 180 days of the last date of discrimination. (Under certain circumstances a charge may be filed up to 300 days from the date of alleged discrimination).

The United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission ("EEOC") John F. Kennedy Federal Building 475 Government Center Boston, MA 02203 Tel. 1-800-669-4000 www.eeoc.gov/boston The Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination ("MCAD") One Ashburton Place Sixth Floor, Room 601 Boston, MA 02108 Tel. 617-994-6000 www.mass.gov/mcad/

Office of Grants and Research 10 Park Plaza, Suite 3720-A Boston, MA 02116 617-725-3301 https://www.mass.gov/orgs/office-of-grants-and-research

Office of Civil Rights U.S. Department of Health and Human Services 200 Independence Avenue, SW Room 509F, HHH Building Washington, D.C. 20201 1-800-368-1019 OCRMail@hhs.gov