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FHCCI AND JEFFERSONVILLE LANDLORD REACH FAIR HOUSING SETTLEMENT

INDIANAPOLIS – Today, the Fair Housing Center of Central Indiana (FHCCI) and a Jeffersonville resident announce a \$62,500 settlement with Pinnacle Properties Development Group LLC of Jeffersonville, Indiana to resolve allegations the company discriminated against families with children in violation of the federal Fair Housing Act. The settlement also included a change in policies, fair housing training, and other forms of affirmative relief, along with payment of plaintiff attorney fees. Pinnacle Properties Development Group LLC made no admission of liability or wrongdoing in connection with the allegations and claims made by plaintiffs and expressly denied any liability or wrongdoing.

"Resolution of this complaint will greatly assist families with children that need housing options in Southern Indiana," said Amy Nelson, Executive Director of the FHCCI. "We appreciate Pinnacle Properties' attention to this important matter and look forward to working with them in the future."

The case was filed in the US District Court, Southern District of Indiana. The Plaintiffs were represented by Christopher Brancart of Brancart & Brancart. A copy of this press release and the original complaint can be found on the <u>FHCCI's News Page</u> and <u>Advocacy Page</u>.

If you feel you may have been discriminated against in a housing related transaction, please contact the Fair Housing Center of Central Indiana at 317-644-0673 or info@fhcci.org.

The Fair Housing Center of Central Indiana (FHCCI) is a private, nonprofit fair housing organization founded in 2011 and based in Indianapolis, Indiana. Its mission is to ensure equal housing opportunities by eliminating housing discrimination through advocacy, enforcement, education and outreach. More information on the FHCCI at: www.fhcci.org

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