

RESOLUTION AGREEMENT

Southern University at Shreveport Louisiana (SUSLA) OCR Complaint Number: 06-16-2065

The Southern University at Shreveport Louisiana (SUSLA), Shreveport, Louisiana, voluntarily submits this Resolution Agreement (Agreement) to the U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights (OCR), Dallas Office. The SUSLA commits to taking the following actions to ensure that the requirements of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Section 504), 29 U.S.C. § 794, (amended 1992), and its implementing regulation, at 34 C.F.R. Part 104, as well as Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (Title II), 42 U.S.C. § 12131 *et seq.*, and its implementing regulation at 28 C.F.R. Part 35, are met with regard to allegation 1 presented in the above-referenced complaint.

All structural changes or modifications to facilities or parts of facilities indicated below will be made in accordance with the 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design (2010 Standards). The SUSLA will take the following actions with regard to its facilities:

ACTION ITEMS

1. By **August 30, 2017**, the SUSLA will ensure that its Science Building is accessible to and usable by disabled individuals, and ensure that individuals with disabilities can fully participate in the benefits of services, programs or activities at the Science Building, by constructing an accessible entrance at the Science Building that meets the requirements of the 2010 Standards, Section 404.
2. By **August 30, 2017**, the SUSLA will ensure that its Science Building is accessible to and usable by disabled individuals, and ensure that individuals with disabilities can fully participate in the benefits of services, programs or activities at the Science Building, by providing an accessible route to the Science Building that meets the requirements of the 2010 Standards, Sections 402 and 403.
3. By **August 30, 2017**, the SUSLA will install signs identified with the International Symbol of Accessibility at the Science Building's inaccessible entrances that direct persons to the Science Building's accessible entrance that meets the requirements of the 2010 Standards, Section 216.6.

REPORTING REQUIREMENT

1. By **September 30, 2017**, the SUSLA shall provide documentation to OCR evidencing that action items 1, 2, AND 3 above have been completed. This report shall include measurements, photographs, technical drawings, and such other documentation sufficient to show compliance with all action items.

The SUSLA understands that by signing this Agreement, it agrees to provide data and other information in a timely manner. Further the SUSLA understands that during the monitoring of this Agreement, OCR may visit the SUSLA, interview staff and students and request such additional reports or data as are necessary for OCR to determine whether the SUSLA has fulfilled the terms of this Agreement and is in compliance with the regulations implementing Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Section 504), 29 U.S.C. § 794, (amended 1992), and its implementing regulation, at 34 C.F.R. §§ 104.21 - 104.23, as well as Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (Title II), 42 U.S.C. § 12131 *et seq.*, and its implementing regulation at 28 C.F.R. §§ 35.149 - 35.151, which were at issue in this investigation.

The SUSLA understands that OCR will not close the monitoring of this Agreement until OCR determines that the SUSLA has fulfilled the terms of this Agreement and is in compliance with the regulations implementing Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Section 504), 29 U.S.C. § 794, (amended 1992), and its implementing regulation, at 34 C.F.R. §§ 104.21 - 104.23, as well as Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (Title II), 42 U.S.C. § 12131 *et seq.*, and its implementing regulation at 28 C.F.R. §§ 35.149 - 35.151.

The SUSLA understands and acknowledges that OCR may initiate administrative enforcement or judicial proceedings to enforce the specific terms and obligations of this Agreement. Before initiating administrative enforcement (34 C.F.R. §§ 100.9, 100.10), or judicial proceedings to enforce this Agreement, OCR shall give the District written notice of the alleged breach and sixty (60) calendar days to cure the alleged breach.

Dr. Rodney Ellis, Chancellor
Southern University at Shreveport Louisiana

Date