



The Immigration Enforcement Review Board
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Angela M. Hinton, Chief Counsel
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Re: Initial Decision on Complaint 2016-01

Dear Ms. Hinton:

This letter will serve to memorialize the Initial Decision made by the Immigration Enforcement Review Board (the "Board") regarding Case No. 2016-01 against the City of Atlanta. On November 10, 2016, the Board met to conduct the Initial Hearing on Case No. 2016-01. At the conclusion of that hearing, the Board voted unanimously to find a violation of an eligibility status provision, O.C.G.A. § 50-36-1, pertaining to Systemic Alien Verification of Entitlement ("SAVE") authorization to administer public benefits, specifically relating to business licenses for certain nonprofit entities originally licensed prior to enactment of the relevant provision in 2011.

As discussed at the initial hearing, the Board requests that the City of Atlanta take remedial action to correct the above mentioned violation, including, but not limited to, obtaining SAVE documentation from those nonprofit entities originally licensed prior to 2011 and thus treating them in similar fashion as other nonprofit entities originally licensed after enactment of the relevant provision in 2011. In addition, please provide information to the Board about the total number of nonprofit entities within the City of Atlanta that might fall under the above mentioned violation so that the Board might further consider all ramifications and remedial action. Per our rules, **please respond to the Board by Friday, December 30, 2016**, or 30 days from service of this initial decision if later, explaining why sanctions should not be imposed and what remedial action has been or will be undertaken. We appreciate your attention to this matter.

Respectfully,

Benjamin J. Vinson, Chairman
The Immigration Enforcement Review Board

cc: D.A. King