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Re: Jack's Urban Meeting Center DRH13-00225; 1000 W. Myrtle St. Boise, Idaho:
JUMP Matter DJ No. 202-22-45

Dear Mr. Bowen and Ms. McDonald:

It is exciting to see the construction of JUMP taking shape along the connector here in Boise. I write as the civil-civil rights coordinator of the United States Attorney's Office for the District of Idaho. As you probably know, facilities covered by title III of the Americans with Disabilities Act that are constructed after March 15, 2012, must comply with the 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design.

I have been charged with fielding all complaints under the ADA for the District of Idaho. As I am sure you are aware, among other things, Title III of the ADA prohibits discrimination against individuals with disabilities by public accommodations, such as JUMP. The ADA authorizes the Department of Justice to investigate alleged violations of Title III and to initiate compliance reviews of public accommodations. 42 U.S.C. § 12188(b)(1)(A)(i).

While I have no doubt that you have expert architects designing this distinguished facility as a state-of-the art building, this letter is to serve as a reminder of the importance and legal requirement of ADA compliance. I would like to meet with you to discuss your plans to make your facility fully compliant with the 2010 ADA standards. I am available, along with a Department of Justice architect on September 9, 10, or 11.

During the past few years, we have performed site reviews on new or remodeled buildings where many accessibility requirements have been overlooked. Some of these items

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include: accessible entrances, ramp slopes and cross slopes, landings, handrails and extensions, directional signs, emergency communication devices, door thresholds, counter heights, door knobs and opening force, protruding objects, assembly areas, areas of rescue assistance, assisted listening devices, and accessible routes that are comparable to all routes. Our goal in meeting with you is to help JUMP fully comply with these requirements.

Our architect is aware of the public website delineating your plans. However, if you have any further information that specifically applies to accessibility that you would be willing to share, we might avoid any issues of compliance in the future.

I look forward to meeting with you and your representatives.

Sincerely,



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