



Rental Housing Commission
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Department of Housing and Community Development
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NOTICE OF SCHEDULED HEARING

RH-TP-16-30,807

In re: 910 Eastern Avenue, N.E., #103

Ward Four (4)

James Properties II, LLC/Oculus Realty LLC
Housing Provider/Appellant

v.

James Offutt
Tenant/Appellee

The Rental Housing Commission (Commission) has scheduled for hearing the appeal filed by the Housing Provider/Appellant from the Final Order dated December 2, 2016. The Commission will hold the public hearing on **Wednesday, October 25, 2017, 2:00 pm. to 3:00 p.m., at 441 4th Street, N.W., Suite 1140B-North, Washington, D.C. 20001.**

The Commission hears appeals from final decisions and orders of the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) and the Office of the Rent Administrator under the authority of, and in compliance with, the Rental Housing Act of 1985, as amended, D.C. OFFICIAL CODE §§42-3501.01-3509.07 (2001), the District of Columbia Administrative Procedure Act (DCAPA), D.C. OFFICIAL CODE §§2-501-510 (2001), and the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations (DCMR), 14 DCMR §§3800-4399 (1991). Hearings before the Commission are conducted in a manner similar to proceedings before the District of Columbia Court of Appeals. Commission hearings ordinarily do not exceed one hour in duration.

The failure of either party to appear at the scheduled time of the hearing will not preclude the Commission from hearing the oral argument of the appearing party and/or disposing of the appeal. Failure of an appellant to appear may result in the dismissal of such party's appeal.

Before October 25, 2017, the public is encouraged to contact the Clerk of Court, Ms. LaTonya Miles, for assurance about the specific date and time of the hearing on this case. Absent good

cause demonstrated by the moving party, the Commission will deny requests for continuances of hearings. However, the Commission may grant a party in this appeal a continuance of the hearing shortly before or on the hearing date, thereby precluding timely prior public notice of a new hearing date as such notice is provided herein. Upon the granting of any continuance, notice of a future hearing date will be published in the same manner as this notice, as required by law.

The public is requested to direct all inquiries about the hearing or Commission proceedings by phone, letter or email to the Clerk of Court, Ms. LaTonya Miles, at any time before October 25, 2017, during regular business hours of the Commission, 8:15 a.m. - 4:45 p.m., Monday to Friday, except for legal holidays. The Commission's phone number is (202) 442-8949. Emails for the Commission can be directed to latonya.miles@dc.gov. Any written inquiries mailed to the Commission should be directed to the attention of the Clerk of Court at the address of the Commission stated above.

The Commission's offices and courtroom are accessible to persons with physical disabilities as required under law. The public is respectfully requested to refrain from any discussion, or the use of any electronic equipment (like cell phones), in the course of a Commission hearing. The public also will be requested to leave the hearing room immediately upon the termination of the hearing, at which time the Commission will enter into closed session to deliberate upon the case, pursuant to D.C. OFFICIAL CODE §2-575(b)(13). At such time, any further questions regarding the disposition of the case may be directed to the Clerk of Court.