7-D Action Unrepresented Tenant Clinic

General

Today's Date/
Lawyer's Name who is helping complete application:
Court Information
Which Court is this in?
Court
County of
Court Address:
Property at Issue
Residential Address
Property Type: Single-Family multi-family (2-4 units) apartment building (4+)
Is there a related (Eviction) Case pending? Yes No
If yes, Index No: Next Court Date:/
Monthly Rent \$
I am asking the court to (check all that apply):
\square Order the respondents to repair the above stated conditions
☐ Order the respondents to reduce future rent to \$ per month until the requested repairs are made
\square Award the petitioners $\$$ due to the difference between the rent paid and the actual rental value of the property based upon its current condition
☐ Other (specify)

Repairs that Need to be Made

Location	Conditions	Date Began

In support of my petition, I am attaching the following documents (check all that apply):

Pictures

Local Code Enforcement Report

Communications with Landlord

Other

Tenant Information

Respondent: Landlord/Property Manager Information

Respondent #1 Name		
Respondent #1 Address		
Address Type (check all tha	t apply):	
☐ Personal Address	☐ Billing address for local property tax	
☐ Business Address	□ Address on rental registry	
Role (check all that apply):		
□ Public housing authority on the person or entity dir □ Agent of the proper	ted on state or local residential registration statement or government agency that owns/manages the property ectly or indirectly in control of the property:	
Address Type (check all tha		
☐ Personal Address	☐ Billing address for local property tax	
☐ Business Address	☐ Address on rental registry	
Role (check all that apply):		
 □ Owner or part owner of the property □ Person or organization listed on state or local residential registration statement □ Public housing authority or government agency that owns/manages the property □ Other person or entity directly or indirectly in control of the property: □ Agent of the property owner □ Other (describe why you believe they are responsible): 		



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Notice of Petition for Judgment Directing Repairs

[Real Property Actions and Proceedings Law Article 7-D]

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County of		I
		Index Number:
Petitioner (tenants applying for a judgment directing repairs)		
-against-		
Respondent (landlord, own for maintaining the property)	er, and/or anyone legally responsible	
make repairs to the follow		a judgment directing you to
Go to Court o	n (The court will complete this section	1.)
	e:/	,
Court address:		
Courtroom	#:	
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How to Respond to the		
1. Your response to the petition is called an answer. 2. An answer tells your side of the case and gives the legal reasons why you should not be		
An answer tells your side of the case and gives the legal reasons why you should not be responsible for the claims made by the tenant(s). These legal reasons are called defenses.		
	answer to the court on or before your fir	
4. There are two ways1) Put your answeOR	you can give your answer to the court: or in writing	
2) State your answer in court		
in your answer or if you d	nt not let you use a defense to support yon't go to court on your court date. Eve se to court on your date.	<u> </u>
Petitioner is serving this n	otice along with the petition on the f	ollowing respondents:
Name	Addre	

Name	Address

Instructions to Petitioner

Your papers must be filed with the court and a filing fee must be paid before you can serve your papers on each respondent.

If you cannot afford to pay the filing fee, you can ask the court to waive the fee by completing and filing a fee waiver application (see #6 below).

Bring the original and **two** copies of the following completed papers to court:

- 1. Notice of Petition for Judgment Directing Repairs [UCS-LT12A]
- 2. Petition for Judgment Directing Repairs [UCS-LT12B]
- 3. Petitioner Information Addendum [UCS-LT12D], if applicable
- 4. Respondent Information Addendum [UCS-LT12E], if applicable
- 5. Supporting papers, if any
- 6. Affirmation in Support of Application to Waive Court Fees and Costs [UCS-FW1], if applicable

Lawyer/Court Endorsement

Your lawyer or the court must sign this form before you can serve your papers on each respondent.

- If you have a lawyer, complete **Section A** and have your lawyer sign it before bringing your papers to court.
- If you do not have a lawyer, bring your papers to court, and a judge or court clerk will complete and sign **Section B**.

Serve Papers

Serve copies of your papers on each respondent in the case.

You must file proof with the court that you served your papers on each respondent. You may use the following form to provide proof of service: Affirmation of Service – Proceeding for Judgment to Direct Repairs [UCS-LT12G]

See https://www.nycourts.gov/CourtHelp/GoingToCourt/service.shtml for information on how to serve court papers.

Section A – Lawyer Endorsement I assisted the petitioner with their paperwork Livilly represent the petitioner in court:	: □Yes □No □Yes □No	
I will represent the petitioner in court:	Lifes Lino	1
Lawyer's Signature Lawyer's Name VLPCNY, 221 S. Warren St., STE 200, Syracuse, NY 13202		
Business Address		Phone
Section B - Court Endorsement		
		/
Signature of □Judge □Clerk Judg	ge/Clerk Name	Date



Petition for Judgment Directing Repairs [Real Property Actions and Proceedings Law Article 7-D]

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Court	
County of	1
Petitioner (tenants applying for a judgment directing repairs)	Index Number:
Respondent (landlord, owner, and/or anyone legally responsible for maintaining the property)	
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Filing Requirements	
You must be a tenant living at the rental property for at least a	30 days in a row.
You must have a lease or other type of agreement to live the	re.
I/We state under the penalties of perjury (intentionally making a fals	se statement), which may include a

- I am a tenant living at the rental property listed below.
- I have lived there for at least 30 consecutive days.
- I have a lease or other type of agreement to live there.

Property Address: Property Type: ☐ single-family ☐ multi-family apartment building (1 unit) (2-4 units) (more than 4 units) **Tenant (Petitioner/Applicant) Information** One or more tenants living in the rental property can make the application for repairs. NOTE: If more space is needed, use Petitioner Information Addendum [UCS-LT12D]. 1. Tenant Name: Mailing Address: Phone (optional): Move-in Date: ☐ Yes Is there a related case, including an eviction, pending against you? \square No If yes, please give: Index Number **Next Court Date** 2. Tenant Name: Mailing Address: Phone (optional): Move-in Date: Is there a related case, including an eviction, pending against you? ☐ Yes □ No If yes, please give: **Index Number Next Court Date** 3. Tenant Name: Move-in Date: Mailing Address: Phone (optional): Is there a related case, including an eviction, pending against you? ☐ Yes □ No If yes, please give: Index Number Next Court Date 4. Tenant Name: Mailing Address: Phone (optional): Move-in Date: Is there a related case, including an eviction, pending against you? ☐ Yes □ No Index Number **Next Court Date** If yes, please give:

Residential Property Information



Respondent Information

Who can you sue (name as a respondent) to make repairs?

- A respondent can be a natural person, business, or organization.
- You can name more than one respondent in this application. For each additional respondent, complete a Respondent Information Addendum [UCS-LT12E].
- Anyone who is legally responsible for maintaining the living conditions of the above property can be a respondent. That includes but is not limited to:
 - Owner or part owner of the property, usually the landlord
 - o Mortgagee holder of the mortgage loan for the property, usually a bank
 - Vendee in possession someone who bought the property on credit and is currently in control of the property
 - Assignee of rents someone who has been given the right to collect rent on the property, could be a property manager or another designated person
 - Receiver a person appointed by a court to take control of the property temporarily
 Exception: In this type of proceeding, you cannot sue a receiver appointed under
 <u>Multiple Dwelling Law Section 309</u> where the property is deemed a public nuisance or poses a significant risk to the health, safety, or welfare of its occupants.
 - Executor someone named in a deceased property owner's will to carry out their wishes regarding the property
 - o Trustee someone responsible for managing the property for the benefit of another
 - Lessee someone who is renting or leasing the property from the property owner
 - o Agent someone who is authorized to act on behalf of the property owner

The respondents in this case are:

For each additional respondent, complete a Respondent Information Addendum [UCS-LT12E] Respondent #1 Name: _____ Address: Address Type (check all that apply): ☐ Personal Address ☐ Billing address for local property tax ☐ Business Address ☐ Address on rental registry Role (check all that apply): ☐ Owner or part owner of the property ☐ Person or organization listed on state or local residential registration statement ☐ Public housing authority or government agency that owns/manages the property ☐ Other person or entity directly or indirectly in control of the property: ☐ Mortgagee (lender) ☐ Vendee in possession ☐ Assignee of rents ☐ Receiver (attach court order appointing receiver if one is available) □ Executor ☐ Trustee ☐ Lessee ☐ Agent of the property owner ☐ Other (describe why you believe they are responsible):

Facts of the Case

1.	What is	your monthly	rent?	\$
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2. Describe the conditions that are dangerous, hazardous, or harmful to your life, health, or safety. These conditions cannot be caused by your wrongdoing or the wrongdoing of any person you allowed on the property [see Real Property Law Section 235-b]. You may also include any other conditions that violate state or local housing codes or standards.

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Location	Conditions	When Began
In support of my petition, I a	m attaching the following docu	ments (check all that apply):
Pictures		
Local Code Enforc	ement Report	
Communications	with Landlord	
Other		

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I am asking the court to (check all t	hat apply):	
 Order the respondents to repai 	r the above stated cond	litions
 Order the respondents to reduce requested repairs are made 	ce future rent to \$	per month until the
☐ Award the petitioners \$actual rental value of the prope☐ Other (specify)		lifference between the rent paid and the ent condition
The court may grant any other relie	f that is just and prop	er.
	VERIFICATION	
If more than one petitioner (tenant) is in front of a notary public (see next p		n, each petitioner must sign a verification cation form).
STATE OF NEW YORK		
COUNTY OF		
	, being duly sworn, state	es the following:
I am the petitioner in this case		· ·
2. I have read my application for Proceedings Law Article 7-D, and I ke		pairs under Real Property Actions and
and belief, except as to matters alleg them to be true.	ed on information and b	d complete to the best of my knowledge belief, and that as to those matters I believe
I affirm this day of, may include a fine or imprisonment, t be filed in an action or proceeding in	hat the foregoing is true	perjury under the laws of New York, which e, and I understand that this document may
-Sworn-to-before me this day-of,-20		
aay or, 20		Signature of Petitioner
Notary Public		orginature of Fetitionier

If more than one petitioner (tenant) is making this application, each petitioner must sign a verification in front of a notary public. Make as many copies of this page as needed.

ADDITIONAL VERIFICATION

STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF
, being duly sworn, states the following:
1. I am the petitioner in this case.
2. I have read my application for a judgment directing repairs under Real Property Actions and Proceedings Law Article 7-D, and I know what it says.
The information in my application is true, accurate, and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief, except as to matters alleged on information and belief, and that as to those matters I believ them to be true.
affirm this day of,, under the penalties of perjury under the laws of New York, which may include a fine or imprisonment, that the foregoing is true, and I understand that this document mape filed in an action or proceeding in a court of law.
Sworn-to-before-me-this
day-of
- <u></u> Signature of Petitioner Notary Public
ADDITIONAL VERIFICATION
STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF
, being duly sworn, states the following:
1. I am the petitioner in this case.
2. I have read my application for a judgment directing repairs under Real Property Actions and Proceedings Law Article 7-D, and I know what it says.
The information in my application is true, accurate, and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief, except as to matters alleged on information and belief, and that as to those matters I believ them to be true.
affirm this day of,, under the penalties of perjury under the laws of New York, which may include a fine or imprisonment, that the foregoing is true, and I understand that this document made filed in an action or proceeding in a court of law.
Sworn to before me this day of
Signature of Petitioner
Notary Public





Respondent Information Addendum [Real Property Actions and Proceedings Law Article 7-D]

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County of	
	Index Number:
Petitioner (tenants applying for a judgment directing repairs) -against-	
Respondent (landlord, owner, and/or anyone legally responsible for maintaining the property)	

For each additional respondent, complete this form and number the respondents in a sequential order. Make as many copies of this page as needed.

Respondent #	
Name:	
Address:	
Address Type (check all that apply):	
☐ Personal Address	 Billing address for local property tax
☐ Business Address	Address on rental registry
Role (check all that apply):	
☐ Owner or part owner of the property	
☐ Person or organization listed on state	e or local residential registration statement
☐ Public housing authority or governm	ent agency that owns/manages the property
☐ Other person or entity directly or ind	irectly in control of the property:
☐ Mortgagee (lender)	
□ Vendee in possession	
☐ Assignee of rents	
☐ Receiver (attach court order appo	ointing receiver if one is available)
□ Executor	,
☐ Trustee	
☐ Lessee	
☐ Agent of the property owner	
☐ Other (describe why you believe	they are responsible).





Application to Waive Court Costs, Fees, and Expenses

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	Court	
County of		ı
In the matter of:		
	son (month, building a cook or Cubicat of Duccooding	Index/File Number:
Piaintim/Petitior -against-	er (party bringing case) or Subject of Proceeding	
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Defendant/Resp	ondent (opposing party; if none, leave blank)	
Applicant states	the following:	
1. I am a party i	n this case.	
, ,	esented by a lawyer.	
·	llowing address:	
	owing assets (check all that apply):	·
	Source:	Monthly Amount:
	□ Wages	\$
	☐ Spousal Support	\$
	□ Social Security/SSI/SSID	\$
	☐ Other (specify):	\$
□Bank	Type:	Current Total Balance:
Account(s)		\$
(2)	☐ Savings Accounts(s)	\$
□Cash,	Type:	Current Total Balance:
Bonds,	□ Cash	\$
Securities,	□ Bonds	\$
and Other	□ Securities	Φ
Investment	S Other (specify):	\$ \$
□Real Estate		 Total Estimated
	e Address(es).	Market Value:
		\$
□Vehicles	Type:	Estimated Market
		Value (minus any
		unpaid loan amount):
		\$
		\$
	Make Model Year:	\$
	Make Model Year:	\$



□ other (specify):

		Print Name
	Ар	plicant Signature
New York, which may include	, 20 , under the penalties a fine or imprisonment, that the foregoin an action or proceeding in a court of law	ng is true, and I understand that
applying again becaus	se:	
	applied to waive the court costs, fees, and e	•
15. Check one of the followin	•	
	y you have a valid case).	
of facts).	y you have a valid case):	
\square explained in my attach	ned papers (you must attach your compla	aint, petition, answer, or affidavit
14. The facts of my case are	(check one):	
	nty Attorney (if filed outside of NYC) ation of Service [UCS-FW3] with the coult	rt
·	coration Counsel (if filed in NYC)	
· ·	er parties in the case	
Serve this Appropriate the serve that Appropriate the serve the serve that Appropriate the serve the serve that Appropriate the serve the	olication to Waive Court Costs, Fees, and Notice of Motion [UCS-FW2] on the:	d Expenses [UCS-FW1]
If yes, you must:		
·	nmons and Complaint, or Summons with σ Cause in this case (check one): \Box Ye	Notice, or Notice of Petition, or es or \square No

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Note: You may be asked to provide financial documents before the judge makes a decision – for example, bank statements, paystubs, etc. Before filing your application, contact the court and ask if you must submit any financial documents and/or if you are required to serve any other party.



Order – Application to Waive Court Costs, Fees, and Expenses

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Court		
County of		
Present: Hon.	Ī	
In the matter of:	Index/File Number:	
Plaintiff/Petitioner (party bringing case) or Subject of Proceeding -against-		
Defendant/Respondent (opposing party; if none, leave blank)		
The court has read the attached application to waive court costs, fees/ alleging that:	, and expenses filed on	
 Applicant is unable to pay the court costs, fees, and expenses the case or to maintain or respond to an appeal 	required to prosecute or defend	
2. There is no other person beneficially interested in the case		
3. Applicant has a good cause of action or claim		
and it is ORDERED , that the application is (check one):		
☐ GRANTED , and the clerk of the court shall not charge the applied expenses in this case, including one certified copy of the judgm or settlement in favor of the applicant must be paid to the clerk order for distribution.	ent. Any recovery by judgment	
☐ GRANTED TO THE EXTENT that the court costs, fees, and ex (check one):	penses related to this case are	
\square waived only with respect to (check one):		
☐ the court filing fee for a Notice of Appeal		
□ other (specify):		
☐ deferred until (check one):		
□ an inventory of assets is filed under Uniform Rules for	r the Surrogate's Court 207.20	
☐ a proposed decree or order is submitted		
NOTE: If, by settlement or any other means, the app than \$, the court costs, fees, and applicant's share of the estate before the proposed d	expenses must be paid from the	



Judge Signature

Date: ____/___

	COURT	
COUNTY OF COURT OF THE	STATE OF NEW YORK	
-against-	Petitioner,	Affirmation of Service Index No
	Respondent(s).	
I,follows:		, affirm under penalty of perjury as
1. I an	n not a party to the action, am o	ver 18 years of age and I live at:
	(date) the Notice of Petition and Petiti ne following address	, at (time), on and supporting documents on the following
exclusive care and designated by the l	custody of the U. S. Postal Serv Respondent(s) BY FIRST CLAS	rapper, in an official depository under the vice within New York State, to the address SS MAIL AND CERTIFIED MAIL.
	ay of,, under the p nclude a fine or imprisonment, be filed in an action or proceed	enalties of perjury under the laws of New that the foregoing is true, and I understand that ling in a court of law.
Syracuse, NY		
	(signature) (name)	