### HOUSING, RESIDENTIAL RENT AND RELOCATION BOARD APPEAL PANEL

### OCTOBER 18, 2018 7:00 P.M. CITY HALL, HEARING ROOM #2 ONE FRANK H. OGAWA PLAZA OAKLAND, CA

### AGENDA

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. ROLL CALL
- 3. OPEN FORUM
- 4. NEW BUSINESS
  - A. Appeal Hearing in cases:
    - i. T16-0521, McRay v. Tang
    - ii. T17-0048, Chau v. Cai
    - iii. T17-0345, Cucci v. Lantz Properties
- 5. SCHEDULING AND REPORTS
- 6. ADJOURNMENT

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粵語或國語翻譯服務, 請在會議前五個工作天電郵 <u>sshannon@oaklandnet.com</u> 或致電 (510) 238-3715 或 711 California relay service。請避免塗搽香氛產品,參加者可能對化學成分敏感。

Service Animals/Emotional Support Animals: The City of Oakland Rent Adjustment Program is committed to providing full access to qualified persons with disabilities who use service animals or emotional support animals.

If your service animal lacks visual evidence that it is a service animal (presence of an apparel item, apparatus, etc.), then please be prepared to reasonably establish that the animal does, in fact, perform a function or task that you cannot otherwise perform.

If you will be accompanied by an emotional support animal, then you must provide documentation on letterhead from a licensed mental health professional, not more than one year old, stating that you have a mental health-related disability, that having the animal accompany you is necessary to your mental health or treatment, and that you are under his or her professional care.

Service animals and emotional support animals must be trained to behave properly in public. An animal that behaves in an unreasonably disruptive or aggressive manner (barks, growls, bites, jumps, urinates or defecates, etc.) will be removed.

### CHRONOLOGICAL CASE REPORT

Case No:

T16-0521

Case Name:

McRay v. Tang

Property Address:

2800 Nicol Ave., #203, Oakland, CA

Parties:

Justin McRay(Tenant)Susan Tang(Owner)Chao-Hun Tan(Owner)

### TENANT APPEAL

<u>Activity</u>

Date

Tenant Petition filed

Owner Response filed

Hearing Decision Mailed

Tenant Appeal filed

September 16, 2016

April 14, 2017

November 21, 2017

December 12, 2017

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## II. RENTAL HISTORY: (You must complete this section)

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When did the owner first provide you with a written NOTICE TO TENANTS of the existence of the Rent Adjustment Program (RAP NOTICE)? Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_. If never provided, enter "Never."

• Is your rent subsidized or controlled by any government agency, including HUD (Section 8)? Yes No

List all rent increases that you want to challenge. Begin with the most recent and work backwards. If you need additional space, please attach another sheet. You must check "Yes" next to each increase that you are challenging.

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\* You have 60 days from the date of notice of increase or from the first date you received written notice of the existence of the Rent Adjustment program (whichever is later) to contest a rent increase. (O.M.C. 8.22.090 A 2) If you never got the *RAP Notice* you can contest all past increases.

List case number(s) of all Petition(s) you have ever filed for this rental unit:

## **III. DESCRIPTION OF DECREASED OR INADEQUATE HOUSING SERVICES:**

Decreased or inadequate housing services are considered an increase in rent. If you claim an unlawful rent increase for service problems, you must complete this section.

Are you being charged for services originally weight to the		
Are you being charged for services originally paid by the owner?	🛛 Yes	🗆 No
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Are you claiming any serious problem(s) with the condition of your rental unit?	Yes	- ni
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If you answered "Yes" to any of the above, please attach a separate sheet listing a description of the reduced service(s) and problem(s). Be sure to include at least the following: 1) a list of the lost housing service(s) or serious problem(s); 2) the date the loss(es) began or the date you began paying for the service(s); and 3) how you calculate the dollar value of lost problem(s) or service(s). Please attach documentary evidence if available.

To have a unit inspected and code violations cited, contact the City of Oakland, Code Compliance Unit, 250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Oakland, CA 94612. Phone: (510) 238-3381

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## **IV. VERIFICATION:** The tenant must sign:

I declare under penalty of perjury pursuant to the laws of the State of California that everything I said in this petition is true and that all of the documents attached to the petition are true copies of the originals.

Venant's Signature

<u>5-8-20/6</u> Date

<u>V. MEDIATION AVAILABLE</u>: Mediation is an entirely voluntary process to assist you in reaching an agreement with the owner. If both parties agree, you have the option to mediate your complaints before a hearing is held. If the parties do not reach an agreement in mediation, your case will go to a formal hearing before a Rent Adjustment Program Hearing Officer the same day.

You may choose to have the mediation conducted by a Rent Adjustment Program Hearing Officer or select an outside mediator. Rent Adjustment Program Hearing Officers conduct mediation sessions free of charge. If you and the owner agree to an outside mediator, please call (510) 238-3721 to make arrangements. Any fees charged by an outside mediator for mediation of rent disputes will be the responsibility of the parties requesting the use of their services.

Mediation will be scheduled only if both parties agree (after both your petition and the owner's response have been filed with the Rent Adjustment Program). <u>The Rent Adjustment Program will not schedule a</u> <u>mediation session if the owner does not file a response to the petition</u>. Rent Board Regulation 8.22.100.A.

If you want to schedule your case for mediation, sign below.

I agree to have my case mediated by a Rent Adjustment Program Staff Hearing Officer (no charge).

enant's Signature

 $\frac{5-8-20/6}{\text{Date}}$ 

### VI. IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

<u>Time to File</u> This form must be received at the offices of the City of Oakland, Rent Adjustment Program, Dalziel Building, 250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza Suite 5313, Oakland, CA 94612 within the time limit for filing a petition set out in the Rent Adjustment Ordinance, Oakland Municipal Code, Chapter 8.22. Board Staff cannot grant an extension of time to file your petition by phone. For more information, please call: (510) 238-3721.

#### **File Review**

The owner is required to file a Response to this petition within 35 days of notification by the Rent Adjustment Program. You will be mailed a copy of the Landlord's Response form. Copies of **documents attached** to the Response form will not be sent to you. However, you may review these in the Rent Program office by appointment. For an appointment to review a file call (510) 238-3721; please allow six weeks from the date of filing before scheduling a file review.

## VII. HOW DID YOU LEARN ABOUT THE RENT ADJUSTMENT PROGRAM?

- Printed form provided by the owner
- Pamphlet distributed by the Rent Adjustment Program
- Legal services or community organization
- \_\_\_\_\_ Sign on bus or bus shelter
- \_\_\_\_\_\_ Other (describe): \_\_\_\_

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<u>Please Fill Out This Form As Completely As You Can</u>. Failure to provide needed information may result in your response being rejected or delayed.

### CASE NUMBER TIG- 0524

Your Name	Complete Address (with zip code)	Telephone:
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Have you paid your business license? Yes  $\checkmark$  No  $\square$  Number 26058957Have you paid the Rent Program Service Fee (\$69 per unit)? Yes  $\oiint$  No  $\square$  APN: 027-0859-023-07Date on which you acquired the building 9/14/15. Is there more than one street address on the parcel? Yes  $\square$  No  $\bowtie$ . Type of unit (Circle One): House / Condominium/ Apartment, room, or live-work

**I. JUSTIFICATION FOR RENT INCREASE** You must check the appropriate justification(s) box for each increase greater than the Annual CPI adjustment contested in the tenant(s) petition. For the detailed text of these justifications, see Oakland Municipal Code Chapter 8.22 and the Rent Board Regulations. You can get additional information and copies of the Ordinance and Regulations from the Rent Program office in person or by phoning (510) 238-3721.

You must prove the contested rent increase is justified. For each justification checked on the following table, you must attach organized documentary evidence demonstrating your entitlement to the increase. This documentation may include cancelled checks, receipts, and invoices. Undocumented expenses, except certain maintenance, repair, legal, accounting and management expenses, will not usually be allowed.

For more information phone (510)-238-3721.

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<u>Date of</u> <u>Contested</u> <u>Increase</u>	Banking (deferred annual increases)	Increased Housing Service Costs	Capital Improvements	Uninsured Repair Costs	Debt Service	Fair Return
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If you are justifying additional contested increases, please attach a separate sheet.

II. RENT HISTORY If you contest the Rent History stated on the Tenant Petition, state the correct information in this section. If you leave this section blank, the rent history on the tenant's

When did you enter into the rental agreement for this unit? The tenant moved into the rental unit on 12 - 23 - 2011

The tenant's initial rent including all services provided was: \$ 850 /month.

Have you (or a previous Owner) given the City of Oakland's form entitled "NOTICE TO TENANTS OE. RESIDENTIAL RENT ADJUSTMENT PROGRAM" ("RAP Notice") to all of the petitioning tenants? Yes X. No I don't know

If yes, on what date was the Notice first given? 9 - 22 - 15Exit 1

Is the tenant current on the rent? Yes No X ExX 2

Begin with the most recent rent and work backwards. If you need additional space please attach another

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#### **III. EXEMPTION**

If you claim that your property is exempt from Rent Adjustment (Oakland Municipal Code Chapter 8.22), please check one or more of the grounds:

The unit is a single family residence or condominium exempted by the Costa Hawkins Rental Housing Act (California Civil Code 1954.50, et seq.). If claiming exemption under Costa-Hawkins, please answer the following questions on a separate sheet:

- 1. Did the prior tenant leave after being given a notice to quit (Civil Code Section 1946)? 2.
- Did the prior tenant leave after being given a notice of rent increase (Civil Code Section 827)? Was the prior tenant evicted for cause? 3.
- 4. Are there any outstanding violations of building housing, fire or safety codes in the unit or building? 5. Is the unit a single family dwelling or condominium that can be sold separately?
- 6. Did the petitioning tenant have roommates when he/she moved in?
- 7. If the unit is a condominium, did you purchase it? If so: 1) from whom? 2) Did you purchase the entire

The rent for the unit is controlled, regulated or subsidized by a governmental unit, agency or authority other than the City of Oakland Rent Adjustment Ordinance.

The unit was newly constructed and a certificate of occupancy was issued for it on or after January 1, 1983.

On the day the petition was filed, the tenant petitioner was a resident of a motel, hotel, or boarding house less than 30 days.

The subject unit is in a building that was rehabilitated at a cost of 50% or more of the average basic cost of new construction.

The unit is an accommodation in a hospital, convent, monastery, extended care facility, convalescent home, non-profit home for aged, or dormitory owned and operated by an educational

The unit is located in a building with three or fewer units. The owner occupies one of the units continuously as his or her principal residence and has done so for at least one year.

## IV. DECREASED HOUSING SERVICES

If the petition filed by your tenant claims Decreased Housing Services, state your position regarding the tenant's claim(s) of decreased housing services. If you need more space attach a separate sheet. Submit any documents, photographs or other tangible evidence that supports your position.

### V. VERIFICATION

I declare under penalty of perjury pursuant to the laws of the State of California that all statements made in this Response are true and that all of the documents attached hereto are true copies of the originals.

**Property Owner's Signature** 

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#### IMPORTANT INFORM TION:

### Time to File

This form must be received by the Rent Adjustment Program (RAP), P.O. Box 70243, Oakland, CA 94612-0243, within 35 days after a copy of the tenant petition was mailed to you. Time ly mailing as shown by a postmark does not suffice. The date of mailing is shown on the Proof of Service attached to the response documents mailed to you. If the RAP office is closed on the last day to file, the time to file is extended to the next day the office is open.

You can date-stamp and drop your Response in the Rent Adjustment drop box at the Housing Assistance Center. The Housing Assistance Center is open Monday through Friday, except holidays, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

### **File Review**

You should have received a copy of the petition (and claim of decreased housing services) filed by your tenant. When the RAP Online Petitioning System is available, you will be able to view the response and attachments by logging in and accessing your case files. If you would like to review the attachments in person, please call the Rent Adjustment Program office at (510) 238-3721 to

### Mediation Program

Mediation is an entirely voluntary process to assist you in reaching an agreement with your tenant. In mediation, the parties discuss the situation with someone not involved in the dispute, discuss the relative strengths and weaknesses of the parties' case, and consider their needs in the situation. Your tenant may have agreed to mediate his/her complaints by signing the mediation section in the copy of the petition mailed to you. If the tenant signed for mediation and if you also agree to mediation, a mediation session will be scheduled before the hearing with a RAP staff member trained in mediation.

If the tenant did not sign for mediation, you may want to discuss that option with them. You and your tenant may agree to have your case mediated at any time before the hearing by submitted a written request signed by both of you. If you and the tenant agree to a non-staff mediator, please call (510) 238-3721 to make arrangements. Any fees charged by a non-staff mediator are the responsibility of the parties that participate. You may bring a friend, representative or attomey to the mediation session. Mediation will be scheduled only if both parties agree and after your response has been filed with the RAP.

### If you want to schedule your case for mediation and the tenant has already agreed to mediation on their petition, sign below.

I agree to have my case mediated by a Rent Adjustment Program Staff member at no charge.

Property Owner's Signature

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#### APRIL 13, 2017

Property Owner Response Case # T16-0521

1. Justin McRay complaint that he has a cracked bedroom window for 3 years since a fire outside his window.

Owner Response to #1 issue:

- 1. He didn't state that on the Estoppel. SEE EXH 4.
- 2. 'He invited me into his unit when we first purchased 2800 Nicol Ave in Sept 2015 to show me that his unit was all good and there was no damage whatsoever.
- 3. He has not reported claim of any serious problem with the condition in his rental unit #203 in his first filing Case# T15-0535.
- 4. He has not requested for any repair service via phone, text, email or mail. We only found out about his complaint of his bedroom window when we received Case #T16-0521.
- Once we found out, Eddie, our general manager, contacted Justin to fix his bedroom window and even offered an option to him to look for a window company to repair his bedroom window. But in both occasions, he refused service and didn't allow entry on April 12, 2017 even after a 24hours Notice to Enter Dwelling was served on April 11, 2017. SEE EXH.5.

Owner Response to #2 issue:

We are in the process of fixing the Parking Security Gate.

Susan Tang





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<u>Please Fill Out This Form Completely As You Can</u>. Failure to provide needed information may result in your petition being rejected or delayed. Attach copies of the documents that support your petition. Before completing this petition, please read the Rent Adjustment Ordinance (Oakland Municipal Code 8.22), sections 8.22.010 through 8.22.190, and the Rent Adjustment Program Regulations.

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<u>Uninsured Repair Costs</u>: Uninsured repair costs are casualty losses that are not reimbursed to the property owner. See Regulations for details. An increase for uninsured repairs is calculated the same way as an increase for capital improvements.

**Increased Housing Service Costs:** Housing Service Costs are expenses for services provided by the property owner. The costs are related to the use of a rental unit and also known as "operating expenses". The most recent two years of operating expenses are compared to determine if a rent increase greater than the CPI is justified. The calculation in both years must provide a reasonable comparison of all expenses. Evidence is required to prove each of the claimed expenses.

**Fair Return**: A property owner may submit evidence to show that without the requested rent increase he or she is being denied a fair return on the investment. A fair return will be measured by maintaining the net operating income (NOI) produced by the property in a base year (2014), subject to CPI related adjustments. Permissible rent increases will be adjusted upon a showing that the NOI in the comparison year is not equal to the base year NOI.

**Banking:** "Banking" refers to deferred allowed annual rent increases. These annual rent increases are known as CPI increases. CPI rent increases that were not given, or were not given in full, can be carried forward to future years. Subject to certain limitations, property owners may defer giving CPI increases up to ten years. CPI increases that were not imposed within ten years expire. No banked increase can exceed three times the then current CPI allowable increase. If your petition includes a request for a banked increase, attach a rent history for the current tenant(s) in each affected unit.

You do not need to petition the Rent Adjustment Program for approval to increase rent based on banking. Rents can be increased for banked CPI rent increases by giving the Tenant a rent increase notice. (Note that the Tenant can file a petition contesting the increase if the Tenant believes the banking is incorrect or unjustified.) If you do choose to petition for approval of a banked rent increase provide the documentation and calculations as required by this petition.

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<u>Capital Improvements</u>: Capital improvements increases may be taken to reimburse the property owner for property improvements. Reimbursement is limited to 70% of the cost of the improvement spread out over an amortization period as set forth in the Amortization Schedule below. The property owner must show the costs incurred were to improve the property and benefit the tenants. Property owners must also show that these costs were paid. Examples include: copies of receipts, invoices, bid contracts or other documentation.

- If your petition contains capital improvements for which permits are first issued on or after February 1, 2017, capital improvements will be amortized according to an amortization schedule (attached at the end of this form).
- If the petition includes only work where permits were issued before February 1, 2017, improvements will be amortized over five years unless the increase causes a rent increase over 10 percent in one year or 30 percent in five years, in which case the amortization period will be extended until the rent increase is smaller than 10 percent in one year or 30 percent in five years.

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## Verification (Each petitioner must sign this section):

I declare under penalty of perjury pursuant to the laws of the State of California that everything I said in this petition and attaches pages is true and that all of the documents attached to the petition are originals or are true and correct copies of the originals.

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### File Review

Your tenant(s) will be required to file a response to this petition within 35 days of notification by the Rent Adjustment Program. You will be sent a copy of the Tenant's Response. Copies of attachments submitted with the Response form are not sent, out, but can be reviewed in person at the Rent Adjustment Program office by calling (510) 238-3721 to schedule a file review. When the RAP Online Petitioning System is available, you will be able to view the response and attachments by logging in and accessing your case files.

### Mediation Program

If you are interested in submitting your dispute to mediation, please read the following information carefully. To request mediation, all petitioners must sign the form that follows. Voluntary mediation of rent disputes is available to all parties involved in Rent Adjustment proceedings. Mediation is an entirely voluntary process to assist you in reaching an agreement with your tenant. Mediation will be scheduled only if both you and your tenant(s) agree and after both a petition and a response have been filed with the Rent Adjustment Program. You may elect to use a Rent Adjustment Program staff Hearing Officer acting as mediator or an outside mediator. Staff Hearing Officers are available to conduct mediation free of charge. Any fees charged by an outside mediator for mediation of rent disputes will be the responsibility of the parties requesting the use of their services. If you are unable to resolve your dispute after a good faith attempt at mediation, you will be given a priority hearing presided by a Hearing Officer other than your mediator.

### IF YOU WANT TO SUBMIT YOUR CASE TO MEDIATION, PLEASE CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX AND SIGN.

□ I agree to have my case mediated by a Rent Adjustment Program staff Hearing Officer (no charge).

 $\Box$  I agree to have my case mediated by an outside mediator (fees to be paid by the parties).

Owner's Signature (for mediation request)

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Owner's Signature (for mediation request)

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### P.O. BOX 70243, OAKLAND, CA 94612-2043 Department of Housing and Community Development Rent Adjustment Program

TEL (510) 238-3721 FAX (510) 238-6181 TDD (510) 238-3254

# NOTICE TO TENANTS OF THE RESIDENTIAL RENT ADJUSTMENT PROGRAM

- Oakland has a Rent Adjustment Program ("RAP") that limits rent increases (Chapter 8.22 of the Oakland Municipal Code) and covers most residential rental units built before 1983. It does not apply to subsidized units, most single family dwellings, condominiums and some other types of units. For more information
- You have a right to file a petition with the RAP to contest a rent increase that is greater than the annual general rent increase ("CPI increase"). An owner can increase rent more than the CPI rate, but with limits, for: capital improvements, operating expense increases, and deferred annual rent increases ("banking"). No annual rent increase may exceed 10%. The owner must provide you with a written summary of the reasons for any increase greater than the CPI rate if you request one in writing. If the owner decreases problems with the condition of a unit
- To contest a rent increase, you must file a petition with the RAP within sixty (60) days of whichever is later: (1) the date the owner served the rent increase notice; or (2) the date you first received this Notice To Tenants. Information and the petition forms are available from the RAP office: 250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, 6<sup>th</sup> Fl., Oakland, CA 94612 or: <u>http://www2.oaklandnet.com/Government/o/hcd/o/RentAdjustment</u>
- If you contest a rent increase, you must pay your rent with the contested increase until you file a petition. After your petition is filed, if the rent increase notice separately states the amount of the CPI rate, you have you were paying before the rent increase notice. If the increase is approved and you did not pay it you will owe the amount of the increase retroactive to the effective date of increase.
- Oakland has eviction controls (the Just Cause for Eviction Ordinance and Regulations, O.M.C. 8.22) which limit the grounds for evictions in covered units. For more information contact the RAP office.
- Oakland charges owners a Rent Program Service Fee per unit per year. If the fee is paid on time, the owner is entitled to get half of the fee from you. Your payment for the annual fee is not part of the rent. Tenants in subsidized units are not required to pay the tenant portion of the fee.
- Oakland has a Tenant Protection Ordinance ("TPO") to deter harassing behaviors by landlords and to give tenants legal recourse in instances where they are subjected to harassing behavior by landlords (@.M.C. 8.22.600). (City Council Ordinance No. 13265 C.M.S.)

### TENANTS' SMOKING POLICY DISCLOSURE

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### **HEARING DECISION**

CASE NUMBER:

**PROPERTY ADDRESS:** 

T16-0521,McRay v. Tang

2800 Nicol Ave., No. 203 Oakland, CA

DATE OF HEARING:

DATE OF DECISION:

**APPEARANCES:** 

Justin McRay Susan Tang Chao-Hun Tan

July 12, 2017

Tenant Owner Owner

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#### SUMMARY OF DECISION

November 20, 2017

The tenant petition is GRANTED IN PART.

#### **INTRODUCTION**

The tenant filed a petition on September 16,2016, which contests a monthly rent increase from \$850.00 to \$901, effective June 1, 2016.

The basis for the tenant's petition includes the following:

- The rent increase exceesd the CPI adjustment and is unjustified or are greater than 10%;
- Decreased housing services regarding a crack in the bedroom window and broken security gate.

The tenant contends that there is a crack in the bedroom window for 3 years after a fire outside his window and the security gate has been broken for over a year. The owner did not file a response to the tenant petition. A hearing was scheduled for January 31, 2017. The tenant did not appear and the Hearing Officer dismissed the tenant's petition. The tenant stated that he was attending a funeral service for a friend although he did not notify the staff. The dismissal was set aside and a new hearing date was set for March 27, 2017. The owners contacted RAP staff and advised that they never received the notice of the tenant petition, only a notice of the hearing on March 27, 2017. A review of the file indicates that the initial copy of the tenant petition sent to the owners at P.O. Box 28152, Oakland, CA 94602, was returned to the RAP office on October 25, 2016, with the notation that there was no such address. The owner did not receive the tenant petition. A copy of the tenant petition was sent to the owners on March 27, 2017.

The owners filed a timely response to the tenant petition on April 14, 2017, which states that the basis for the rent increase is Banking. They also filed a landlord petition for approval of a rent increase. The case was re-scheduled for Hearing on July 12, 2017.

#### ISSUES

1. When did the tenant first receive a notice of the existence of the Rent Adjustment Program?

2. Is the rent increase valid?

3. Were the tenant's housing services decreased? If so, what restitution is due the tenant?

#### EVIDENCE.

#### Rent History/Notice of the Rent Adjustment Program

The tenant received notice of the existence of the Rent Adjustment Program in September 2015, pursuant to a prior hearing decision, and his monthly base rent was set at \$850.00.<sup>1</sup> The tenant petition states that he did not receive concurrent notice of the Rent Adjustment Program with notice of the rent increase.

The owner provided a copy of the notice of change in terms in tenancy dated July 22, 2016, effective September 1, 2016, from \$850.00 to \$901.00. The RAP notice was on the back side of the notice of change in terms in tenancy.<sup>2</sup>

#### Rent Increase

The tenant petition incorrectly stated the notice and effective date of the rent increase, which was April 9, 2016, effective June 1, 2016. However, the owner correctly

<sup>1</sup> T15-0535, <u>McKay v. Tang</u> <sup>2</sup> Ex. No. 1



responded that the rent increase notice was provided July 22, 2016, with an effective date of September 1, 2016.

Although the tenant petition was incorrect regarding the dates of the notice and increase the owner provided the correct date of the contested rent increase so the tenant petition regarding the rent increase was considered.

### Decreased Housing Services

#### Security Gate

The tenant testified that the exterior security gate was broken for over a year and repaired a few months ago but it is still unlocked.<sup>3</sup> The owners testified that there was an issue with getting in and out of the gate and the fire department advised them to keep the gate locked for safety reasons. They further testified that tenant Martin in unit 207 had a new car and had not received his new license plates and they were concerned that his car would be towed away by the tow company because the car had no license plates. Additionally, tenant Martin was unavailable and been in the hospital for one month but they thought the situation would be resolved shortly.

### Cracked Window

The tenant testified that the bedroom window is cracked and been like this for the past three years. He testified that he told Benson, the prior owner and Helen, the manager, about the problem.

The owners testified that they had no notice of any problem with the tenant's bedroom window until they received the tenant petition sent by staff on March 27, 2017. They immediately contacted Eddie, their onside manager, and directed him to take care of the problem. The onsite manager emailed them on April 11, 2016, and stated that he had texted the tenant to choose a glass company and set up an appointment and the manager would meet the company and pay them to do the repair. The tenant refused and did not allow access into his unit. The tenant confirmed that he did not allow access to his unit for the repair and testified that "I wanted to wait and to see what you guys were going to do before I let them in."

The owners further testified that shortly after they bought the building in September 2015 they were doing an inspection and the tenant told them everything was fine, that he showed them his unit and said if there was a problem he would let them know. He did not say anything about a broken bedroom window, showed her around and said everything was fine. The tenant testified that he did not know the Tangs were the owners. The owners testified that the tenant knew they were the owners and asked them to hire him as the onsite manager. Why would he ask them that if he did not know that they were the owners.

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<sup>3</sup>This issue arose in a prior hearing in T15-0333, Martin et al. v. Tang

### FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

### RAP Notice and Rent Increase-Banking

The tenant has received the required RAP notices. Therefore, the rent increase based on Banking is valid.

An owner is allowed to bank increases and use them in subsequent years, subject to certain limitations.<sup>4</sup> Banking is allowed going back ten years. However, the total of CPI adjustments imposed in any one rent increase, including the current CPI adjustment, may not exceed three times the allowable CPI Rent Adjustment on the effective date of the rent increase.<sup>5</sup> The allowable rent increase based on Banking is \$51.00, which increases the tenant's monthly rent to \$901.00 effective September 1, 2016. The tenant has underpaid rent in the amount of \$765.00 through November 1, 2017. A Banking table is attached to this Hearing Decision as Exhibit 1 and made a part of this Decision.

#### Decreased Housing Services

Under the Oakland Rent Ordinance, a decrease in housing services is considered to be an increase in rent and may be corrected by a rent adjustment.<sup>6</sup> However, in order to justify a decrease in rent, a decrease in housing services must be the loss of a service that seriously affects the habitability of a unit, a service that was originally provided and removed, or one that is required to be provided in a contract between the parties. The tenant has the burden of proving decreased housing services by a preponderance of the evidence. The tenant also has the burden of proving notice to the owner about a complaint and the owner must be afforded a reasonable opportunity to respond to the complaint.

Section 8.22.090(2)(O.M.C. also provides that a tenant petition must be filed within 60 days after the date of service of a rent increase notice or the date the tenant first receives the RAP notice, whichever is later. This includes a complaint for decreased housing services, which is defined as a rent increase.<sup>7</sup> The tenant received the RAP notice initially in September 2015. He did not file the tenant petition for decreased housing services until September 16, 2016. Therefore, restitution is limited to 60 days prior to filing of the tenant petition, which is July 28, 2016.

#### Window

There is a factual dispute about when the owners received notice about the crack in the bedroom window. Both parties are equally credible. However, it is the tenant's burden of proof regarding this issue and he testified that he did not want to let the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> O.M.C. §8.22.70 (A)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Regulations Appendix, §10.5.1

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> O.M.C. Section 8.22.070 (F)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> O.M.C.§8.22.090(A)(3)-As of September 20, 2016, this was changed to 90 days

owners into his unit until after a hearing decision in this case. The tenant has not sustained his burden of proof regarding notice and access. Therefore, compensation for this item is denied.

### Security Gate

The security gate was fixed a few months ago. However, it still remains unlocked so there is a continuing security issue. The owner's testimony about the fire department is unsupported and the testimony about the problem with the tenant in unit 207 is unpersuasive. The prior hearing decision granted a 5% decrease to other tenants for the problem with the security gate. Although the security gate has been repaired it is still unlocked which poses a continuing security issue. Therefore, the tenant is granted a 5% decrease in his rent until the owner locks the security gate.

Service Lost	From	То	Rent	% Rent Decrease	Decrease /month	No. Months	Overpaid
Jnlocked ecurity gagte	7/28/16	<u>.</u> 11/1/17	\$901.00	5%	\$42.50	16	\$680.00

TOTAL LOST SERVICES \$680.00

#### ORDER

- 1. Petition T16-0521 is granted in part. The tenant's monthly base rent is \$901.00. Due to a continuing decreasing service, the tenant's current monthly rent is reduced by \$42.50. The tenant has overpaid rent totaling \$680.00 since July 28, 2016.
- 2. The tenant has underpaid rent totaling \$765.00 from September 1, 2016, through November 1, 2017
- 3. The net rent under payment is amortized as follows:

Base Rent	\$901.00
+rent underpayment-\$765- \$680=\$85.00	+85.00
-current decreased housing services	-\$42.50
Rent payment for December 1, 2017	\$944.35
Rent payment commencing January 1, 2017	\$858.50

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4. When the owner locks the security gate he may restore the rent by \$42.50. In order to restore the rent the owner must provide proper notice in accordance with Section 827 of the California Civil Code (30 days-add 5 days if service by mail).

## 5. <u>Right to Appeal</u>: This decision is the final decision of the Rent

Adjustment Program Staff. Either party may appeal this decision by filing a properly completed appeal using the form provided by the Rent Adjustment Program. The appeal must be received within twenty (20) days after service of the decision. The date of service is shown on the attached Proof of Service. If the Rent Adjustment Office is closed on the last day to file, the appeal may be filed on the next business day.

Date: November 20, 2017

**Barbara Kong-Brown, Esq.** Senior Hearing Officer Rent Adjustment Program

### PROOF OF SERVICE

### Case Number T16-0521

I am a resident of the State of California at least eighteen years of age. I am not a party to the Residential Rent Adjustment Program case listed above. I am employed in Alameda County, California. My business address is 250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Suite 5313, 5th Floor, Oakland, California 94612.

Today, I served the attached Hearing Decision by placing a true copy of it in a sealed envelope in a City of Oakland mail collection receptacle for mailing on the below date at 250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Suite 5313, 5th Floor, Oakland, California, addressed to:

#### Tenants

Justin McRay 921 Cedar St Berkeley, CA 94710

Justin McRay 2800 Nicol Ave #203 Oakland, CA 94602 Owner Susan & Chao Tang P.O. Box 28152 Oakland, CA 94604 and the second

I am readily familiar with the City of Oakland's practice of collection and processing correspondence for mailing. Under that practice an envelope placed in the mail collection receptacle described above would be deposited in the United States mail with the U.S. Postal Service on that same day with first class postage thereon fully prepaid in the ordinary course of business.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the above is true and correct. Executed on November 21, 2017 in Oakland, CA.

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Please select your ground(s) for appeal from the list below. As part of the appeal, an explanation must be provided responding to each ground for which you are appealing. Each ground for appeal listed below includes directions as to what should be included in the explanation.

- 1) There are math/clerical errors that require the Hearing Decision to be updated. (Please clearly explain the math/clerical errors.)
- 2) Appealing the decision for one of the grounds below (required):
  - a) The decision is inconsistent with OMC Chapter 8.22, Rent Board Regulations or prior decisions of the Board. (In your explanation, you must identify the Ordinance section, regulation or prior Board decision(s) and describe how the description is inconsistent.).

b) I The decision is inconsistent with decisions issued by other Hearing Officers. (In your explanation, you must identify the prior inconsistent decision and explain how the decision is inconsistent.)

- c) The decision raises a new policy issue that has not been decided by the Board. (In your explanation, you must provide a detailed statement of the issue and why the issue should be decided in your favor.).
- d) The decision violates federal, state or local law. (In your explanation, you must provide a detailed statement as to what law is violated.)

The decision is not supported by substantial evidence. (In your explanation, you must explain why the decision is not supported by substantial evidence found in the case record.)

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REVIEWED INITIAL

 $\Box$  I was denied a sufficient opportunity to present my claim or respond to the petitioner's claim. (In your explanation, you must describe how you were denied the chance to defend your claims and what evidence you would have presented. Note that a hearing is not required in every case. Staff may issue a decision without a hearing if sufficient facts to make the decision are not in dispute.)

□ The decision denies the Owner a fair return on my investment. (You may appeal on this ground only when your underlying petition was based on a fair return claim. You must specifically state why you have been denied a fair return and attach the calculations supporting your claim.)

h) Cother. (In your explanation, you must attach a detailed explanation of your grounds for appeal.)

Submissions to the Board are limited to 25 pages from each party. Please number attached pages consecutively. Number of pages attached: \_\_\_\_\_

You must serve a copy of your appeal on the opposing party(ies) or your appeal may be dismissed. I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that on

<u> $Dec_1$ </u>, 20<u>17</u>, I placed a copy of this form, and all attached pages, in the United States mail or deposited it with a commercial carrier, using a service at least as expeditious as first class mail, with all postage or charges fully prepaid, addressed to each opposing party as follows:

Name	CITY OF OAKHUD
Address	HOUSING AND COMMUNITY RENT
	250 Fronk H. Ogawa Plaga # 5313
<u>City, State Zip</u>	DAKIAND, CA 94612-2034
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	SUSAMANU CHAO TANG
Address	P.D. BOX 28/52
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For more information phone (510) 238-3721.

This is an attached document Appealing the following decision by Senior Hearing Officer Barbara Kong-Brown Rent Adjustment Program.

McRay vs. Tang T16-0521

#### Window

1. Finding of Facts and Conclusions of Law page 4 speaks to the factual dispute of when the owners/Tangs received notice about the cracked bedroom window. Which compensation was denied.

However, I informed the previous owner and on site Manager Helen Young and Owner Benson Eddesor came into my apartment to .look at the cracked window. Furthermore, on page 3 of Cracked Window speaks to the testimony of the Owners/Tangs conducting apartment unit inspections by a licensed real estate property inspectors.

I allowed them to enter into my apartment look at whatever they wanted. It was not my duty to point out a cracked window, for I was not contract to do so. That lies soley between Owners, Real-estate Agent and inspectors in the purchasing of the property.

I was never asked if everything was ok in my apartment. If fact according to California Renters law, when the Tangs purchased 2800 Nicol they inherited my lease, from previous owner, which make

them responsible for inspecting all Windows on the property and fixing.

I have attached a signed letter from Hellen Young on site Manager to back my claim that I notified her of the damage to my window from a tree fire outside my window.

I would like to be compensation from 2014 to 2017 for a broken window that just was fix November 25 2017.

Thanks

Justin McRay

Thes is to confirm Tenart Vustin MCRay notified me Hellen Yougon site Monager at 2800 Micol Aue Dabland CA of a Broken Clacked Bedroom Wendow in his apartment unit # 203 in 2014 from a tree find out side his apartment Window. I Keller young then notefied the premions owner Benson Ezedsor of the damages.



Justin McRay

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### CHRONOLOGICAL CASE REPORT

Case Nos.:

T17-0048

Case Name: Chau v. Cai

Property Address:

220 International Blvd., Oakland, CA

Parties:

Randy Chau Lau Lan Hing Wen Sen Yang Cai Ping Xia (Tenant)(Tenant)(Owner Representative)(Owner Representative)

### **OWNER APPEAL:**

ActivityDateTenant Petition filedJanuary 27, 2017Owner Response filedApril 27, 2017Hearing Decision mailedNovember 15, 2017Owner Appeal filedNovember 28, 2017

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CITY OF OAKLAND RENT ADJUSTMENT PROGRAM Mail To: P. O. Box 70243 Oakland, California 94612-0243 (510) 238-3721	For date stamp. 2017 JAN 27 AM 11: 19

Please Fill Out This Form As Completely As You Can. Failure to provide needed information may result in your petition being rejected or delayed.

### TENANT PETITION

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Please print legibly Your Name Rental Address (with zip code) 94606 Telephone CHAU RANDY 220 International Blud. Your Representative's Name Mailing Address (with zip code) Telephone

Property Owner(s) name(s) Mailing Address (with zip code) Telephone 220 International Blud (510) 219 - 9837 (Weaser) Oakland 94606 (415)971-2063 (Xia) owyang 1225 2m Ave. Oakland (A 94606 Business owener WenSen Yang/ Cui Ping Xia Landwrd = Zhi Cai & Dia

Number of units on the property:

Type of unit you rent (circle one)	House	Condominium	Apartment, Room, or Live-Work
Are you current on your rent? (circle one)	Yes	No	Legally Withholding Rent. You must attach an explanation and citation of code violation.

I. GROUNDS FOR PETITION: Check all that apply. You must check at least one box. For all of the grounds for a petition see OMC 8.22.070 and OMC 8.22.090. I (We) contest one or more rent increases on one or more of the following grounds:

K	(a) The increase(s) exceed(s) the CPI Adjustment and is (are) unjustified or is (are) greater than 10%.
	(b) The owner did not give me a summary of the justification(s) for the increase despite my written request.
	(c) The rent was raised <u>illegally</u> after the unit was vacated (Costa-Hawkins violation).
	(d) No written notice of Rent Program was given to me together with the notice of increase(s) I am
	contesting. (Only for increases noticed after July 26, 2000.)
	(e) A City of Oakland form notice of the existence of the Rent Program was not given to me at least six
	pionths before the effective date of the rent increase(s) I am contesting.
V	(f1) The housing services I am being provided have decreased. (Complete Section III on following page)
/	(f2) At present, there exists a health, safety, fire, or building code violation in the unit. If the owner has been
<u>v</u>	cited in an inspection report, please attach a copy of the citation or report. Case # 1604726
	(g) The contested increase is the second rent increase in a 12-month period.
	(h) The notice of rent increase based upon capital improvement costs does not contain the "enhanced
	notice" requirements of the Rent Adjustment Ordinance or the enhanced notice was not filed with the RAP.
	(i) My rent was not reduced after the expiration period of the rent increase
	(j) The proposed rent increase would exceed an overall increase of 30% in t
	begins with rent increases noticed on or after August 1, 2014).
	(k) I wish to contest an exemption from the Rent Adjustment Ordinance (O

Tenant Petition, effective 1-15-15

Tenant

## II. RENTAL HISTORY: (You must complete this section)

Date you moved into the Unit: January 2011 Initial Rent: \$ 180 \_\_\_\_/month

When did the owner first provide you with a written NOTICE TO TENANTS of the existence of the Rent Adjustment Program (RAP NOTICE)? Date: Never. If never provided, enter "Never."

• Is your rent subsidized or controlled by any government agency, including HUD (Section 8)? Yes No

List all rent increases that you want to challenge. Begin with the most recent and work backwards. If you need additional space, please attach another sheet. You must check "Yes" next to each increase that you are challenging.

	Date Notice Served (mo/day/year)	Date Increase Effective (mo/day/year)	Amount Re From	nt Increased To	Are you Contesting this Increase in this Petition?*	Did You Receive a Rent Program Notice With the Notice Of Increase?
VERBAL	07-01-2015	07-01-2015	\$ (80	\$200	XYes 🗆 No	🗆 Yes 🗶 No
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\* You have 60 days from the date of notice of increase or from the first date you received written notice of the existence of the Rent Adjustment program (whichever is later) to contest a rent increase. (O.M.C. 8.22.090 A 2) If you never got the *RAP Notice* you can contest all past increases.

List case number(s) of all Petition(s) you have ever filed for this rental unit:

### **III. DESCRIPTION OF DECREASED OR INADEQUATE HOUSING SERVICES:**

Decreased or inadequate housing services are considered an increase in rent. If you claim an unlawful rent increase for service problems, you must complete this section.

Are you being charged for services originally paid by the owner? Have you lost services originally provided by the owner or have the conditions changed? Are you claiming any serious problem(s) with the condition of your rental unit?

🗆 Yes	X/No
V Yes	)=1355
Yes	🗆 No

If you answered "Yes" to any of the above, please attach a separate sheet listing a description of the reduced service(s) and problem(s). Be sure to include at least the following: 1) a list of the lost housing service(s) or serious problem(s); 2) the date the loss(es) began or the date you began paying for the service(s); and 3) how you calculate the dollar value of lost problem(s) or service(s). Please attach documentary evidence if available.

**DVD** is attached. To have a unit inspected and code violations cited, contact the City of Oakland, Code Compliance Unit, 250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Oakland, CA 94612. Phone: (510) 238-3381

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Tenant Petition, effective 1-15-15
**IV. VERIFICATION:** The tenant must sign:

I declare under penalty of perjury pursuant to the laws of the State of California that everything I said in this petition is true and that all of the documents attached to the petition are true copies of the originals.

Tenant's Signature

12/21/2016

<u>V. MEDIATION AVAILABLE</u>: Mediation is an entirely voluntary process to assist you in reaching an agreement with the owner. If both parties agree, you have the option to mediate your complaints before a hearing is held. If the parties do not reach an agreement in mediation, your case will go to a formal hearing before a Rent Adjustment Program Hearing Officer the same day.

You may choose to have the mediation conducted by a Rent Adjustment Program Hearing Officer or select an outside mediator. Rent Adjustment Program Hearing Officers conduct mediation sessions free of charge. If you and the owner agree to an outside mediator, please call (510) 238-3721 to make arrangements. Any fees charged by an outside mediator for mediation of rent disputes will be the responsibility of the parties requesting the use of their services.

Mediation will be scheduled only if both parties agree (after both your petition and the owner's response have been filed with the Rent Adjustment Program). <u>The Rent Adjustment Program will not schedule a</u> <u>mediation session if the owner does not file a response to the petition.</u> Rent Board Regulation 8.22.100.A.

If you want to schedule your case for mediation, sign below.

I agree to have my case mediated by a Rent Adjustment Program Staff Hearing Officer (no charge).

Tenant's Signature

 $\frac{12/21/2016}{Date}$ 

## VI. IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

<u>**Time to File**</u> This form must be **received** at the offices of the City of Oakland, Rent Adjustment Program, Dalziel Building, 250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza Suite 5313, Oakland, CA 94612 within the time limit for filing a petition set out in the Rent Adjustment Ordinance, Oakland Municipal Code, Chapter 8.22. Board Staff cannot grant an extension of time to file your petition by phone. For more information, please call: (510) 238-3721.

#### File Review

The owner is required to file a Response to this petition within 35 days of notification by the Rent Adjustment Program. You will be mailed a copy of the Landlord's Response form. Copies of **documents attached** to the Response form will not be sent to you. However, you may review these in the Rent Program office by appointment. For an appointment to review a file call (510) 238-3721; please allow six weeks from the date of filing before scheduling a file review.

## VII. HOW DID YOU LEARN ABOUT THE RENT ADJUSTMENT PROGRAM?

Printed form provided by the owner

Pamphlet distributed by the Rent Adjustment Program

Legal services or community organization

Sign on bus or bus shelter Other (describe): Oakland Fire Nept inspe of the

WenSen Yang and Cui Ping Xia, Can you fix the leaking windows in Randy Chau's bedroom at 220 International Blvd. Oakland this Sunday, 01/22/2017 after 2:00 P.M. and make sure Randy can go back to his bedroom before 11:00 P.M. the same day?



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<u>Please Fill Out This Form As Completely As You Can</u>. Failure to provide needed information may result in your response being rejected or delayed.

## CASE NUMBER T - 117 - 0048

Your Name	Complete Address (with zip code)	Telephone:
WENSEN YONG	220 INTERNATIONAL	(415)971-2063
	BLVD, OAKLAND, CA	Email:
CUI PING XIA	94606	844608103@ QQ. COM
Your Representative's Name (if any)	Complete Address (with zip code)	Telephone:
15-11-1 ( 1)	GUI ATHOL AVE	(510) 520-3891
STANLET SIL	0.101. 1494/10	Email:
	OPKLAND, CA 94610	StanSin @ GMSiLCOM
Tenant(s) Name(s)	Complete Address (with zip code)	
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Property Address (If the property has mo	re than one address, list all addresses)	Total number of units on
220 INTERHATIONAL B	WD.	property
OARDAND, CA 94	606	

Have you paid for your Oakland Business License? Yes  $\Box$  No  $\overleftarrow{\Delta}$  Lic. Number:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ The property owner must have a current Oakland Business License. If it is not current, an Owner Petition or Response may not be considered in a Rent Adjustment proceeding. Please provide proof of payment.

Have you paid the current year's Rent Program Service Fee (\$68 per unit)? Yes  $\Box$  No  $\Box$  APN:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ The property owner must be current on payment of the RAP Service Fee. If the fee is not current, an Owner Petition or Response may not be considered in a Rent Adjustment proceeding. Please provide proof of payment.

Date on which you acquired the building://	WENSEN YANG	ž	Cui pina y	(14	Tenant
Is there more than one street address on the parcel? Yes	s 🗆 No 🕰				

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Type of unit (Circle One): House / Condominium/ Apartment, room, or live-work

**<u>I. JUSTIFICATION FOR RENT INCREASE</u>** You must check the appropriate justification(s) box for each increase greater than the Annual CPI adjustment contested in the tenant(s) petition. For the detailed text of these justifications, see Oakland Municipal Code Chapter 8.22 and the Rent

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Board Regulations. You can get additional information and copies of the Ordinance and Regulations from the Rent Program office in person or by phoning (510) 238-3721.

You must prove the contested rent increase is justified. For each justification checked on the following table, you must attach organized documentary evidence demonstrating your entitlement to the increase. This documentation may include cancelled checks, receipts, and invoices. Undocumented expenses, except certain maintenance, repair, legal, accounting and management expenses, will not usually be allowed.

Date of Contested Increase	Banking (deferred annual increases)	Increased Housing Service Costs	Capital Improvements	Uninsured Repair Costs	Debt Service	Fair Return
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If you are justifying additional contested increases, please attach a separate sheet.

II. RENT HISTORY If you contest the Rent History stated on the Tenant Petition, state the correct information in this section. If you leave this section blank, the rent history on the tenant's petition will be considered correct

The tenant moved into the rental unit on \_\_\_\_\_\_ 2211

The tenant's initial rent including all services provided was: \$ NO Cent / month. Ferrit Pays Withities \$ 11

Have you (or a previous Owner) given the City of Oakland's form entitled "NOTICE TO TENANTS OF RESIDENTIAL RENT ADJUSTMENT PROGRAM" ("RAP Notice") to all of the petitioning tenants? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_ I don't know \_\_\_\_

Yes <u>No V</u> I don t know <u>Food</u> For Storage Ordy If yes, on what date was the Notice first given? <u>New For Storage Ordy</u> Is the tenant current on the rent? Yes <u>No SEE</u> BITTACHEO SHEET E CCUET JUDGUMENT

Begin with the most recent rent and work backwards. If you need more space please attach another sheet.

Date Notice Given	Date Increase Effective	Rent	t Increased	Did you provide the "RAP NOTICE" with the notice		
(mo./day/year)		From	То	of rent increase?		
		\$	\$	□ Yes □ No		
		\$	\$	□ Yes □ No		
		\$	\$	□ Yes □ No		
		\$	\$	□ Yes □ No		
		\$	\$	□ Yes □ No		

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#### **III. EXEMPTION**

If you claim that your property is exempt from Rent Adjustment (Oakland Municipal Code Chapter 8.22), please check one or more of the grounds:

The unit is a single family residence or condominium exempted by the Costa Hawkins Rental Housing Act (California Civil Code 1954.50, et seq.). If claiming exemption under Costa-Hawkins, please answer the following questions on a separate sheet:

- 1. Did the prior tenant leave after being given a notice to quit (Civil Code Section 1946)? 2.
- Did the prior tenant leave after being given a notice of rent increase (Civil Code Section 827)?
- 3. Was the prior tenant evicted for cause?
- 4. Are there any outstanding violations of building housing, fire or safety codes in the unit or building?
- 5. Is the unit a single family dwelling or condominium that can be sold separately?
- 6. Did the petitioning tenant have roommates when he/she moved in?
- If the unit is a condominium, did you purchase it? If so: 1) from whom? 2) Did you purchase the entire 7. building?

The rent for the unit is controlled, regulated or subsidized by a governmental unit, agency or authority other than the City of Oakland Rent Adjustment Ordinance.

The unit was newly constructed and a certificate of occupancy was issued for it on or after January 1, 1983.

On the day the petition was filed, the tenant petitioner was a resident of a motel, hotel, or boarding house less than 30 days.

The subject unit is in a building that was rehabilitated at a cost of 50% or more of the average basic cost of new construction.

The unit is an accommodation in a hospital, convent, monastery, extended care facility, convalescent home, non-profit home for aged, or dormitory owned and operated by an educational institution.

The unit is located in a building with three or fewer units. The owner occupies one of the units continuously as his or her principal residence and has done so for at least one year.

## IV. DECREASED HOUSING SERVICES

If the petition filed by your tenant claims Decreased Housing Services, state your position regarding the tenant's claim(s) of decreased housing services. If you need more space attach a separate sheet. Submit any documents, photographs or other tangible evidence that supports your position.

#### V. VERIFICATION

I declare under penalty of perjury pursuant to the laws of the State of California that all statements made in this Response are true and that all of the documents attached hereto are true copies of the originals.

Property Owner's Signature

<u>4, 27, 701</u> Date

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For more information phone (510)-238-3721.



## IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

#### Time to File

This form **must be received** by the Rent Adjustment Program (RAP), P.O. Box 70243, Oakland, CA 94612-0243, within 35 days after a copy of the tenant petition was mailed to you. Timely mailing as shown by a postmark does not suffice. The date of mailing is shown on the Proof of Service attached to the response documents mailed to you. If the RAP office is closed on the last day to file, the time to file is extended to the next day the office is open.

You can date-stamp and drop your Response in the Rent Adjustment drop box at the Housing Assistance Center. The Housing Assistance Center is open Monday through Friday, except holidays, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

#### **File Review**

You should have received a copy of the petition (and claim of decreased housing services) filed by your tenant. When the RAP Online Petitioning System is available, you will be able to view the response and attachments by logging in and accessing your case files. If you would like to review the attachments in person, please call the Rent Adjustment Program office at (510) 238-3721 to make an appointment.

#### **Mediation Program**

Mediation is an entirely voluntary process to assist you in reaching an agreement with your tenant. In mediation, the parties discuss the situation with someone not involved in the dispute, discuss the relative strengths and weaknesses of the parties' case, and consider their needs in the situation. Your tenant may have agreed to mediate his/her complaints by signing the mediation section in the copy of the petition mailed to you. If the tenant signed for mediation and if you also agree to mediation, a mediation session will be scheduled before the hearing with a RAP staff member trained in mediation.

If the tenant did not sign for mediation, you may want to discuss that option with them. You and your tenant may agree to have your case mediated at any time before the hearing by submitted a written request signed by both of you. If you and the tenant agree to a non-staff mediator, please call (510) 238-3721 to make arrangements. Any fees charged by a non-staff mediator are the responsibility of the parties that participate. You may bring a friend, representative or attorney to the mediation session. Mediation will be scheduled only if both parties agree and after your response has been filed with the RAP.

# If you want to schedule your case for mediation and the tenant has already agreed to mediation on their petition, sign below.

I agree to have my case mediated by a Rent Adjustment Program Staff member at no charge.

Property Owner's Signature

Date

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Are you current on your rent?.(circle one)	Yes	No	Legally Withholding Rent. You must attach an explanation and citation of code violation.

I. GROUNDS FOR PETITION: Check all that apply. You must check at least one box. For all of the grounds for a petition see OMC 8.22.070 and OMC 8.22.090. I (We) contest one or more rent increases on one or more of the following grounds:

2	(a) The increase(s) exceed(s) the CPI Adjustment and is (are) unjustified or is (are) greater than 10%.
	(b) The owner did not give me a summary of the justification(s) for the increase despite my written request.
	(c) The rent was raised <u>illegally</u> after the unit was vacated (Costa-Hawkins violation).
	(d) No written notice of Rent Program was given to me together with the notice of increase(s) I am
	contesting. (Only for increases noticed after July 26, 2000.)
	(e) A City of Oakland form notice of the existence of the Rent Program was not given to me at least six
	prionths before the effective date of the rent increase(s) I am contesting.
V	(f1) The housing services I am being provided have decreased. (Complete Section III on following page)
	(f2) At present, there exists a health, safety, fire, or building code violation in the unit. If the owner has been
Ľ	cited in an inspection report, please attach a copy of the citation or report. Case # 160 47 26
	(g) The contested increase is the second rent increase in a 12-month period.
	(h) The notice of rent increase based upon capital improvement costs does not contain the "enhanced
	notice" requirements of the Rent Adjustment Ordinance or the enhanced notice was not filed with the RAP.
	(i) My rent was not reduced after the expiration period of the rent increase based on capital improvements.
	(j) The proposed rent increase would exceed an overall increase of 30% in 5 years. (The 5-year period
L	begins with rent increases noticed on or after August 1, 2014).
	(k) I wish to contest an exemption from the Rent Adjustment Ordinance (OMC 8.22, Article I)

#### Randy Chau

Subject:

Case Numbers: RG17844105, HG17844484, RG17845206

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Dear Judge David Krashna,

First, I would like to thank you for your understanding about these cases.

Secondly, after a month long of thinking about what these cases have effected all of us. I know I have done wrong that I should have reported to the appropriated authorities regarding to the mistreatment from both WenSen Yang & Cui Ping Xia during my stay at the rented room for the past year. Instead, I confronted them.

Thirdly, WenSen Yang originally told me that he has a hardship after the surgery early 2016 and his wife was unable to care for him, which he asked me not to tell anyone. Actually his wife was fully capable to care for him. So he has convinced the INS to allow his son, son's wife, son two young children, agirl & a boy, come from China to Oakland Californ for a visit. However, they only stayed in the U.S. for couple of months since March 2016, which they have tried to use this opportunity to force me out every time I when I paid the rent to them.

Earlier 2015 to earlier 2016, I have refused to do any graphics design work for WenSen Yang for free anymore and have also complained that my living condition from his rented room is getting worst. This are two reasons why our relationship having issues. Every time we have discussed about the graphics design work and I have mentioned these type issues about my room with them, they always asked me to move out. He and his wife like to control others. He has mentioned that even this property is rental from the actual property own. He has the power to force me out unless I followed his orders.

The very first day that I move in to this 220 International Blvd. Oakland. I told him the truth that I am a 290 registered sex offender. He understood this very well because he told me that he knew a friend of him was selling child pornography video, which have the same thing that I have to wear the GPS monitor. Since earlier 2013, I told him that I ar no longer in parole. He said that I am proud of you that you have done well and deserved that I was released parole early than five years.

During August 22nd 2016. He has purposely used this type of tactic to threaten and accusing me that I have inappropriate touching his granddaughter. I have reported this incident to the Oakland police depart right away. The responded officer found no evidences that this incident has taken place because WenSen Yang could not provide when, where, & how I was inappropriate touching his granddaughter. After that, he was just saying that I was only touching her face. The officer said that there are no evidence that me, Randy has committed a crime and there is not case to file. I have asked the office that can he accusing & threaded me that if this have not happened, the official said there is no crime aga WenSen Yang keep saying that to me and he should not that. If this is the only time, I understand we get angry and said the wrong thing. However, he kept repeating it about five(5) times and telling other I have done terrible thing to his granddaughter. When I confront with him that he should stop all these non-sense accusation, threatened, and harassing remarks, he is accusing me throwing hot coffee at him. I know him for years. He liked to attack others most weakest poin He will do this to me again if he have a chance.

Point one, I am asking the judge's help to set a Civil Harassment Restraining Order After Hearing to WenSen Yen' families and friends not to use his granddaughter as a weapon to use against me. I know WenSen Yang will do it again because he has done it many times before. As for now, his is granddaughter back to China. Please set a restraining order until she is eighteen(18) years old. After that, let the granddaughter make her own decision, not used by WenSen Yang a tool to make someone's life miserable including me. I would like the Judge place a stay-Away orders for the grand daughter from Randy Chan (100 yards.)

Point two, please don't let WenSen Yang as renter to rent out rooms, which not belong to him as a property owr to others. All he wanted is money and does not care the people who lived under his control. I would like k show a 4-minute video of what wensen Yang & Cui Pinekin wrong do in to the Thank You for your understanding, Randy Chan. If the indge above, I will play from my control Randy Chau

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<ul> <li>Service of Order on Restrained Person</li> <li>a. I The person in (2) personally attended the hearing. No other</li> </ul>	r proof of service is needed.
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(13) □ No Fee to Serve (Notify) Restrained Person	
The sheriff or marshal will serve this Order without charge because	e:
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## Warning and Notice to the Restrained Person in 2:

Judicial Officer

## You Cannot Have Guns or Firearms

You cannot own, have, possess, buy or try to buy, receive or try to receive, or otherwise get guns, other firearms, or ammunition while this Order is in effect. If you do, you can go to jail and pay a 1,000 fine. You must sell to or store with a licensed gun dealer, or turn in to a law enforcement agency, any guns or other firearms that you have or control as stated in item (3) above. The court will require you to prove that you did so.

## Instructions for Law Enforcement

## Enforcing the Restraining Order

This Order is enforceable by any law enforcement agency that has received the Order, is shown a copy of the Order, or has verified its existence on the California Restraining and Protective Order System (CARPOS). If the law enforcement agency has not received proof of service on the restrained person, and the restrained person was not present at the court hearing, the agency must advise the restrained person of the terms of the Order and then must enforce it. Violations of this Order are subject to criminal penalties.

## This is a Court Order.

Revised July 1, 2014

Civil Harassment Restraining Order After Hearing (CLETS-CHO) (Civil Harassment Prevention)

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## Start Date and End Date of Orders

This Order starts on the date next to the judge's signature on page 4 and ends on the expiration date in item (4) on page 1.

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## Arrest Required If Order Is Violated

If an officer has probable cause to believe that the restrained person had notice of the order and has disobeyed it, the officer must arrest the restrained person. (Pen. Code, §§ 836(c)(1), 13701(b).) A violation of the order may be a violation of Penal Code section 166 or 273.6. Agencies are encouraged to enter violation messages into CARPOS.

## Notice/Proof of Service

The law enforcement agency must first determine if the restrained person had notice of the order. Consider the restrained person "served" (given notice) if (Pen. Code, § 836(c)(2)):

- The officer sees a copy of the *Proof of Service* or confirms that the *Proof of Service* is on file; or
  - The restrained person was at the restraining order hearing or was informed of the order by an officer.

An officer can obtain information about the contents of the order and proof of service in CARPOS. If proof of service on the restrained person cannot be verified and the restrained person was not present at the court hearing, the agency must advise the restrained person of the terms of the order and then enforce it.

## If the Protected Person Contacts the Restrained Person

Even if the protected person invites or consents to contact with the restrained person, this Order remains in effect and must be enforced. The protected person cannot be arrested for inviting or consenting to contact with the restrained person. The orders can be changed only by another court order. (Pen. Code, § 13710(b).)

## Conflicting Orders—Priorities of Enforcement

If more than one restraining order has been issued, the orders must be enforced according to the following priorities: (See Pen. Code, § 136.2, Fam. Code, §§ 6383(h)(2), 6405(b).)

- 1. EPO: If one of the orders is an *Emergency Protective Order* (form EPO-001) and is more restrictive than other restraining or protective orders, it has precedence in enforcement over all other orders.
- 2. No Contact Order: If there is no EPO, a no-contact order that is included in a restraining or protective order has precedence over any other restraining or protective order.
- 3. Criminal Order: If none of the orders includes a no contact order, a domestic violence protective order issued in a criminal case takes precedence in enforcement over any conflicting civil court order. Any nonconflicting terms of the civil restraining order remain in effect and enforceable.



(Clerk will fill out this part.) —Clerk's Certificate—

I certify that this Civil Harassment Restraining Order After Hearing is a true and corregations of the original on file in the court.

	Date:	Clerk, by	NIKOLE WH	ITE , Deputy
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(This Attachment may be used with any Judicial Council form.)

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Attachment 10, "Other Orders"

Protected party is ordered and must not allow granddaughter to stay in unit while the Restrained party is in the home.

Restrained party is ordered to move out from 220 International Blvd Oakland, CA no later than February 1, 2017 by 12:00 PM.

Parties are ordered not to curse, yell, or throw anything at each other nor touch each other for any reason.

(If the item that this Attachment concerns is made under penalty of perjury, all statements in this Attachment are made under penalty of perjury.)

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## CITY OF OAKLAND

Department of Housing and Community Development Rent Adjustment Program

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## **HEARING DECISION**

**CASE NUMBER:** 

T17-0048, Chau v. Cai,

**PROPERTY ADDRESS:** 

September 25, 2017

October 20, 2017

**DATE OF DECISION:** 

**DATE OF HEARING:** 

**APPEARANCES:** 

Randy Chau (Tenant) Lau Lan Hing (Tenant) Wen Sen Yang (Owner Representative) Cai Ping Xia (Owner Representative) Stanley Siu (Interpreter)

220 International Blvd., Oakland, CA

#### **SUMMARY OF DECISION**

The tenant's petition is granted.

#### **CONTENTIONS OF THE PARTIES**

Tenant Chau ("the tenant") filed a petition on January 27, 2017, which alleges that a proposed rent increase from \$180 to \$200 per month, effective July 1, 2017, exceeds the CPI Adjustment and is unjustified or is greater than 10%; that he has never received the form Notice to Tenants of the Rent Adjustment Program (RAP Notice); that at present, there exists a health, safety, fire, or building code violation in his unit; and that his housing services have been decreased, as follows: improper security bars; mice; and no smoke detector.

The owners filed a response to the petition, which states that the tenant was never given a RAP Notice, and that the subject rental unit was rented only for storage, and denied that the tenant's housing services have been decreased. No justification for the contested rent increase is stated.

#### THE ISSUES

- (1) Was the subject unit rented for storage or as a residence?
- (2) If the unit was rented as a residence, when, if ever, did the tenant receive the RAP Notice?
- (3) If the unit was rented as a residence, is there a justification for the contested rent increase?
- (4) If the unit was rented as a residence, have the tenant's housing services been decreased and, if so, by what percentage of the total housing services that are provided by the owner?

#### EVIDENCE

<u>Residence or Storage?</u> At the Hearing, the tenant testified that he rented the subject room in a house as a residence, and that he lived there from January 2011 through January 2017. He further testified that his initial rent was \$180 per month, and increased to \$200 per month in July 2015. He last paid rent in January 2017, and paid rent in these amounts for the entire time that he lived there. The tenant submitted copies of 7 rent checks each in the amount of \$200, payable to the owner, which are dated between June 1, 2016 and October 1, 2017.<sup>1</sup>

Mr. Yang testified that he has lived in the house in which the subject rental unit is located since the year 2006, and he still lives there. He is familiar with the tenant's rental situation. Mr. Yang further testified that the tenant was rented a room in the house for the purpose of storage, and not as a residence. The initial rent was \$180 per month, but the tenant paid no rent for the first 6 months.

At one point in his testimony, Mr. Yang stated that the tenant never paid rent of more than \$190 per month. However, after being shown the aforementioned rent checks, Mr. Yang testified that the rent was increased to \$200 because the tenant's girlfriend was moving in.<sup>2</sup>

<u>RAP Notice</u>: All parties testified that the tenant has never received the RAP Notice.

#### Decreased Housing Services:

<u>Security Bars:</u> The tenant testified that, at the start of his tenancy, there were security bars on the two bedroom windows that could not be opened from the inside. The tenant submitted a City of Oakland Fire Inspection Report dated December 20, 2016 regarding the subject rental unit.<sup>3</sup> This Report cites a Code Section and states, in part: "Emergency escape (window bars) – appear to be quick-release type, but bolted from interior in sleeping area. Repair or remove." The tenant further testified that in January 2017, the owner removed the bars from one, but not both, of these windows. Mr. Yang did not dispute this testimony.

<sup>2</sup> Recording of Hearing, at 1:09:50.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Exhibit Nos. 4A through 4C. These Exhibits, and all others to which reference is made in this Decision, were admitted into evidence without objection.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Exhibit No. 2. This Exhibit, and all others to which reference is made in this Decision, were admitted into evidence without objection.

<u>Mice:</u> The tenant testified that there have been mice and mice droppings in his room since he moved in, and he immediately reported this problem to the owner and the owner's representative. He further testified that the owner gave him mouse poison, and that he bought and used mouse traps that he bought himself. However, there was little improvement during the course of his tenancy.

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The tenant submitted a document entitled "Record Detail with Comments" from the City Inspection Services Agency regarding the subject unit."<sup>4</sup> The entry on this document dated December 19, 2016 states, in part: "Onsite Inspection, photos taken, violations verified. Tenant showed me mice droppings at kitchen floor near range . . ."

At the Hearing, the tenant played a DVD that he had submitted, which he testified he had taken in his unit. This recording depicted mice in traps, a mouse running across the floor, and a live mouse in a garbage can. Mr. Yang testified that there are mice because the tenant's room is dirty, and because the tenant had a dog, and dog food was always in a bowl on the floor.

<u>Smoke Detector</u>: The tenant testified that there has never been a smoke detector in his unit. The Fire Inspection Report states, in part: "Smoke Alarm– Required in all sleeping areas. Must be installed." Mr. Yang did not dispute this testimony.

#### FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

<u>Residence or Storage?</u> It would be unusual for someone to pay \$180 per month in order to store belongings in a room in a house, rather than in a storage unit in a locked facility. Further, Mr. Yang's testimony that the rent was increased when the tenant's girlfriend "moved in" belies his testimony that the room was merely rented for storage. The tenant has proven by a preponderance of the evidence that he lived in a residential rental unit.

RAP Notice: It is found that the tenant has never received the RAP Notice.

<u>Rent Overpayments:</u> A tenant petition must be filed within 90 days of the date of service of a rent increase notice <u>or</u> the date the tenant first receives the RAP Notice, whichever is later.<sup>5</sup> Since the tenant has never received the RAP Notice, his petition is timely to challenge the rent increase of July 2015.

Further, the second page of the Owner Response form states, in part: "You must prove that each contested rent increase greater than the Annual CPI Adjustment is justified . . . For each justification checked on the following table, you must submit organized documents demonstrating your entitlement to the increase." No justification is checked.

Each party has a Due Process right to know what claims the other party is making. Since the tenant has never received the RAP Notice, and the owner's response did not state a justification for the contested rent increase, as set forth on the Table below, the tenant overpaid rent from July 2015 through January 2017.

<sup>4</sup> Exhibit No. 3

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> O.M.C. Section 8.22.090 (A)(2)

<u>Decreased Housing Services</u>: Under the Rent Adjustment Ordinance, a decrease in housing services is considered to be an increase in rent<sup>6</sup> and may be corrected by a rent adjustment.<sup>7</sup> However, in order to justify a decrease in rent, a decrease in housing services must be either the elimination or reduction of a service that existed at the start of the tenancy or a violation of the housing or building code which seriously affects the habitability of the tenant's unit.

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There is also a time limit for claiming decreased housing services. A tenant petition must be filed within 90 days after the date of service of a rent increase notice or change in the terms of a tenancy <u>or</u> the date the tenant first receives the RAP Notice, whichever is later.<sup>8</sup> Where the RAP notice has never been given, as is the case here, a tenant can be granted restitution for rent overpayments due to decreased housing services for a maximum of 3 years.<sup>9</sup> Therefore, restitution for rent overpayments may be granted from February 2014 through January 2017.

Further, in order for a tenant's claim for decreased housing services to be granted, an owner must have notice of a problem and a reasonable opportunity to make needed repairs.

<u>Security Bars:</u> Window bars that cannot be opened from the inside create a potentially life-threatening situation. The owner obviously knew about this situation at the start of the tenancy. This condition reduced the package of housing services by 10% from February 2014 through January 2017. As set forth on the Table below, the tenant overpaid rent during that time.

<u>Mice:</u> The tenant has proven by a preponderance of the evidence that there was a significant mouse infestation in the unit that he did not cause, and that he notified the owner's agent about this shortly after the start of his tenancy. Mice are certainly annoying, and pose a significant health risk, as well. This condition reduced the package of housing services by 10% from February 2014 through January 2017. As set forth on the Table below, the tenant overpaid rent during that time.

<u>Smoke Detector</u>: The Oakland Fire Code states: "Within each unit, smoke detectors shall be located in each bedroom and hallway adjacent to a bedroom."<sup>10</sup> Smoke detectors are potentially life-saving devices, and the absence of smoke detectors in the bedrooms reduced the package of housing services by 10% from February 2014 through January 2017. As set forth on the Table below, the tenant overpaid rent during that time.

<u>Conclusion</u>: If a tenant continues to live in a rental unit, restitution for rent overpayments is accomplished by lowering future rent. Since the tenant in this case has moved, that is obviously not possible. However, because of overpaid rent and deceased housing services, the tenant overpaid rent in the total amount of \$2,438. The tenant can pursue his remedy in a court of law.

<sup>10</sup> Oakland Fire Code, Section 2-15.32

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> O.M.C. Section 8.22.070(F)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> O.M.C. Section 8.22.110(E)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> O.M.C. Section 8.22.090(A)(2)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Appeal Decision in Case No. T06-0051, <u>Barajas/Avalos v. Chu</u>

Service Lost	From	То	Rent	% Rent Decrease		ecrease month	No. Months	Overpaid
Security Bars	1-Feb-14	30-Jun-15	L\$180	10%	\$	18.00	17	\$306.00
Security Bars	1-Jul-15	31-Jan-17	\$200	10%	\$	20.00	19	\$380.00
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Vice	1-Jul-15	31-Jan-17	\$200	10%	\$	20.00	19	\$380.00
Smoke Alarm	1-Feb-14	30-Jun-15	\$180	10%	\$	18.00	17	\$306.00
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1-Jul-15	31-Jan-17	\$200	\$180	\$20.00	19	\$380.00
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#### <u>ORDER</u>

1. Petition T17-0048 is granted.

2. The tenant overpaid rent in the amount of \$2,438.

3. <u>Right to Appeal</u>: This decision is the final decision of the Rent Adjustment Program Staff. Either party may appeal this decision by filing a properly completed appeal using the form provided by the Rent Adjustment Program. The appeal must be received within twenty (20) calendar days after service of the decision. The date of service is shown on the attached Proof of Service. If the Rent Adjustment Office is closed on the last day to file, the appeal may be filed on the next business day.

Dated: October 20, 2017

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<sup>2</sup>Stephen Kasdin Hearing Officer Rent Adjustment Program

## PROOF OF SERVICE Case Number T17-0048

I am a resident of the State of California at least eighteen years of age. I am not a party to the Residential Rent Adjustment Program case listed above. I am employed in Alameda County, California. My business address is 250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Suite 5313, 5th Floor, Oakland, California 94612.

Today, I served the attached Hearing Decision by placing a true copy of it in a sealed envelope in a City of Oakland mail collection receptacle for mailing on the below date at 250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Suite 5313, 5th Floor, Oakland, California, addressed to:

#### Tenants .

Randy Chau 831 International Blvd Oakland, CA 94606

Randy Chau 220 International Blvd. Oakland, CA 94606

#### **Owner**

Wen Sen Yang & Lui Ping Xia 220 International Blvd Oakland, CA 94606

Zhi Cai & Diana Owyang 1225 2nd Ave Oakland, CA 94606

**Owner Representative** Stanley Siu 601 Athol Ave Oakland, CA 94610

I am readily familiar with the City of Oakland's practice of collection and processing correspondence for mailing. Under that practice an envelope placed in the mail collection receptacle described above would be deposited in the United States mail with the U.S. Postal Service on that same day with first class postage thereon fully prepaid in the ordinary course of business.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the above is true and correct. Executed on November 15, 2017 in Oakland, CA.

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I appeal the decision issued in the case and on the date written above on the following grounds: (Check the applicable ground(s). Additional explanation is required (see below). Please attach additional pages to this form.)

1. The decision is inconsistent with OMC Chapter 8.22, Rent Board Regulations or prior decisions of the Board. You must identify the Ordinance section, regulation or prior Board decision(s) and specify the inconsistency. Randy signed only in petition, is ordered to move out by court. He fraudulently concealed.

the prior inconsistent decision and explain how the decision is inconsistent. More info will be provided asap. Limited English speaking seniors co-tenants failed to understand fully because of previous staff's statement "Close case".

3. D The decision raises a new policy issue that has not been decided by the Board. You must provide a detailed statement of the issue and why the issue should be decided in your favor.

4. Q The decision is not supported by substantial evidence. You must explain why the decision is not supported by substantial evidence found in the case record. The entire case record is available to the Board, but sections of audio recordings must be pre-designated to Rent Adjustment Staff.

Substantial evid was presented in previous court. Judge ordered Randy out, with considering all stated issues.
5. I was denied a sufficient opportunity to present my claim or respond to the petitioner's claim. You must explain how you were denied a sufficient opportunity and what evidence you would have presented. Note that a hearing is not required in every case. Staff may issue a decision without a hearing if sufficient facts to make the decision are not in dispute.

3 witnesses present in court. Hearing on 9/25/2017 wasn't provide sufficient chance for limited Eng senior to ans, to understand.
 6. 

 The decision denies me a fair return on my investment. You must specifically state why you have been denied a fair return and attach the calculations supporting your claim.

Co-tenant of Room B (Lau's) ended in 2015 with no complaint, no nofify necessity, and satisfactory relation for 12+mths. No standg

ance caused by illegal stayover, illegal sex act, harassing minor (granddaughter), physical abused senior (Restraining order ranted by court Randy against female senior Xia 1 year, ordered to moveout); "Not for residence" was warned to Randy. commercial kickout, This order to moveout in 12/2016 by court. Current kickout around 10/2017- All 3 proves habitual misdeam info was reserved to be presented to appeal. Senior abuses require reasonable level, continued. Randy habitually fraud.

7. Rou must attach a detailed explanation of your groups of appeal. Submissions to the Board Reserve right to present timely due to senior capacity, limited English proficient, police reportsand court paper retrieval processe are limited to 25 pages from each party. Number of pages attached Physics Ph

REAT ARBITRATION ENDERALS

8. You must serve a copy of your appeal on the opposing party(ies) or your appeal may be dismissed. I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that on 1002, 2024, I placed a copy of this form, and all attached pages, in the United States mail or deposited it with a commercial carrier, using a service at least as expeditious as first class mail, with all postage or charges fully prepaid, addressed to each opposing party as follows:

Name	
	Randy Chau (storage space payor)
Address	
	831 International Blvd
City, State Zip	
	Oakland, CA 94606
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<u>Name</u>	Lau Lan Hing (past non-evicted co-tenant in 2015)
Address	
	831 International Blvd
City, State Zip	
	Oakland, CA 94606

Unipoy Xia 11/27/2017 SIGNATURE of APPELLANT or DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE DATE

#### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION:**

This appeal must be <u>received</u> by the Rent Adjustment Program, 250 Frank Ogawa Plaza, Suite 5313, Oakland, California 94612, not later than 5:00 P.M. on the 20th calendar day after the date the decision was mailed to you as shown on the proof of service attached to the decision. If the last day to file is a weekend or holiday, the time to file the document is extended to the next business day.

- Appeals filed late without good cause will be dismissed.
- You <u>must</u> provide all of the information required or your appeal cannot be processed and may be dismissed.
- Anything to be considered by the Board must be received by the Rent Adjustment Program by 3:00 p.m. on the 8th day before the appeal hearing.
- The Board will not consider new claims. All claims, except as to jurisdiction, must have been made in the petition, response, or at the hearing.
- The Board will not consider new evidence at the appeal hearing without specific approval.
- You must sign and date this form or your appeal will not be processed.

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(This Attachment may be used with any Judicial Council form.)

January 25, 2017

Attachment 10, "Other Orders"

Restrained party is ordered and must not allow granddaughter to stay in unit while the Protected party is in the home.

Protected party is ordered to move out from 220 International Blvd. Oakland, CA no later than February 1, 2017 by 12:00 PM.

Parties are ordered not to curse, yell, or throw anything at each other nor touch each other for any reason.



(If the item that this Attachment concerns is made under penalty of perjury, all statements in this Attachment are made under penalty of perjury.)

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ATTACHMENT to Judicial Council Form

## SC-100

## Plaintiff's Claim and ORDER to Go to Small Claims Court

### Notice to the person being sued:

- You are the defendant if your name is listed in ② on page 2 of this form. The person suing you is the plaintiff, listed in ① on page 2.
- You and the plaintiff must go to court on the trial date listed below. If you do not go to court, you may lose the case.
- If you lose, the court can order that your wages, money, or property be taken to pay this claim.
- Bring witnesses, receipts, and any evidence you need to prove your case.
- Read this form and all pages attached to understand the claim against you and to protect your rights.

## Aviso al Demandado:

- Usted es el Demandado si su nombre figura en ② de la página 2 de este formulario. La persona que lo demanda es el Demandante, la que figura en ① de la página 2.
- Usted y el Demandante tienen que presentarse en la corte en la fecha del juicio indicada a continuación. Si no se presenta, puede perder el caso.
- Si pierde el caso la corte podría ordenar que le quiten de su sueldo, dinero u otros bienes para pagar éste reclamo.
- Lleve testigos, recibos y cualquier otra prueba que necesite para probar su caso.
- · Lea este formulario y todas las páginas adjuntas para entender la demanda en su contra y para proteger sus derechos.

## Order to Go to Court

The people in ① and ②must go to court on: (Clerk fills out section below)

Trial Date	Date 1. 04/10/2018	Time 01:30 PM	Department 511	Name and address of court if different from above 24405 Amador Street, Hayward
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Date:	11/28/2017	·	Clerk by,	, Deputy

## Instructions for the person suing:

- You are the plaintiff. The person you are suing is the defendant.
- Before you fill out this form, read Form SC-100-INFO, Information for the Plaintiff, to know your rights. Get SC-100-INFO at any courthouse or county law library, or go to www.courts.ca.gov/smallclaims/forms.
- Fill out pages 2 and 3 of this form. Then make copies of all pages of this form. (Make one copy for each party named in this case and an extra copy for yourself.) Take or mail the original and these copies to the court clerk's office and pay the filing fee. The clerk will write the date of your trial in the box above.
- You must have someone at least 18—not you or anyone else listed in this case—give each defendant a court-stamped copy of all five pages of this form and any pages this form tells you to attach. There are special rules for "serving," or delivering, this form to public entities, associations, and some businesses. See Forms SC-104, SC-104B, and SC-104C.
- · Go to court on your trial date listed above. Bring witnesses, receipts, and any evidence you need to prove your case.

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Revised January 1, 2017, Mandatory Form Code of Civil Procedure, §§ 116.110 et seq.,	to Go to Small Claims Court		-
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## Información para el demandado (la persona demandada) "es una corte especial donde se deciden Probar que es la corte equivocada. Envíe una

La "Corte de reclamos menores" es una corte especial donde se deciden casos por \$10,000 o menos. Los individuos, o sea las "personas físicas" y los propietarios por cuenta propia, pueden reclamar hasta \$10,000. Las corporaciones, asociaciones, entidades públicas y otras empresas solo pueden reclamar hasta \$5,000. (Vea abajo para las excepciones.\*) El proceso es rápido y barato. Las reglas son sencillas e informales. Usted es el Demandado—la persona que se está demandando. La persona que lo está demandando es el Demandante.

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¿Necesito un abogado? Puede hablar con un abogado antes o después del caso. Pero no puede tener a un abogado que lo represente ante la corte (a menos que se trate de una apelación de uncaso de reclamos menores).

¿Cómo me preparo para ir a la corte? No tiene que presentar ningunos papeles antes del juicio, a menos que piense que ésta es la corte equivocada para su caso. Pero lleve al juicio cualquier testigos, recibos y pruebas que apoyan su caso. Y lea "Esté preparado para su juicio" en <u>www.courts.ca.gov/reclamosmenores/preparese</u>.

¿Qué hago si necesito una adaptación? Si tiene una discapacidad o tiene impedimentos de audición, llene el formulario MC-410, Request for Accomodations. Entregue el formulario al secretario de la corte o al Coordinador de Acceso/ADA de su corte.

¿Qué pasa si no hablo bien inglés? Pregúntele al secretario de la corte lo más pronto posible si en el juzgado habrá un intérprete disponible y cómo solicitarlo. No siempre están disponibles los intérpretes de la corte. Otra opción es llevar a un adulto que pueda interpretar para usted siempre que esa persona no sea un testigo ni un abogado. O puede pedir a la corte una lista de intérpretes particulares disponibles para contratar.

¿Dónde puedo obtener los formularios de la corte que snecesito? Vaya a cualquier edificio de la corte, la biblioteca legal de su condado,o imprima los formularios en www.courts.ca.gov/ smallclaims/forms (página está en inglés).

¿Qué pasa en el juicio? El juez escuchará a ambas partes. El juez puede tomar su decisión durante la audiencia o enviársela por correo después..

¿Qué pasa si pierdo el caso? Si pierde, puede apelar. Tendrá que pagar una cuota. (El Demandante no puede apelar su propio reclamo.).

- Si estuvo presente en el juicio, llene el formulario SC-140, Àviso de apelación (Notice of Appeal). Tiene que presentarlo dentro de 30 días después de que el secretario le entregue o envíe la decisión (fallo) del juez en el formulario SC-200 o SC-130, Aviso de publicación del fallo (Notice of Entry of Judgment).
- Si no estuvo en el juicio, llene y presente el formulario SC-135, Aviso de petición para anular el fallo y Declaración para pedirle al juez que anule el fallo (decisión). Si la corte no le otorga un nuevo juicio, tiene 10 días para apelar la decisión. Presente el formulario SC-140.Para obtener más información sobre las apelaciones, vea <u>www.</u> <u>courts.ca.gov/reclamosmenores/apelaciones</u>.

¿Tengo otras opciones? Sí. Si lo están demandando, puede:

• **Resolver su caso antes del juicio.** Si usted y el Demandante se ponen de acuerdo en cómo resolver el caso, el Demandante tiene que presentar el formulario CIV-110, Solicitud de desestimación (Request for Dismissal) ante el secretario de la corte. Pídale al Asesor de Reclamos Menores que lo ayude.

- Probar que es la corte equivocada. Envíe una carta a la corte *antes* del juicio explicando por qué cree que es la corte equivocada. Pídale a la corte que despida el reclamo. Tiene que entregar (dar) una copia de su carta (por correo o en persona) a todas las partes. (Su carta a la corte tiene que decir que hizo la entrega.)
- Ir al juicio y tratar de ganar el caso. Lleve testigos, recibos y cualquier prueba que necesite para probar su caso. Si desea que la corte emita una orden de comparecencia para que los testigos vayan al juicio, llene el formulario SC-107, *Citatorio de reclamos menores* (Small Claims Subpoena) y entrégueselo legalmente al testigo.
- Demandar a la persona que lo demandó. Si tiene un reclamo contra el Demandante, y el reclamo se puede presentar en la corte de reclamos menores, tal como se describe en este formulario, puede presentar el formulario SC-120, *Reclamo del demandado* (Defendant's Claim) y presentarlo en este mismo caso. Si su reclamo excede el límite permitido en la corte de reclamos menores, puede igualmente presentarlo en la corte de reclamos menores si está dispuesto a limitar su reclamo al máximo permitido, o puede presentar un reclamo por el monto total en la corte apropiada. Si su reclamo excede el límite permitido en la corte de reclamos menores y está relacionado conel mismo contrato, transacción, asunto o acontecimiento que el reclamo del Demandante, puede presentar su reclamo en la corteapropiada y presentar una moción para transferir el reclamo del Demandante a dicha corte, para poder resolver los dos reclamos juntos. Puede ver una descripción de los montos permitidos en el párrafo anterior titulado "Corte de reclamos menores".
- Acceptar el reclamo del Demandante y pagar el dinero. O, si no puede pagar en ese momento, vaya al juicio y diga que quiere hacer los pagos.
- No ir al juicio y aceptar el fallo por falta de comparecencia. Si no llega a un acuerdo con el Demandante y no va al juicio (fallo por falta de comparecencia), el juez le puede otorgar al Demandante lo que está reclamando más los costos de la corte. En ese caso, el Demandante legalmente puede tomar su dinero, su sueldo o sus bienes para cobrar el fallo.

¿Qué hago si necesito más tiempo? Puede cambiar la fecha del juicio si:

- No puede ir a la corte en la fecha programada (tendrá que pagar una cuota para aplazar el juicio), o
- No le entregaron los documentos legalmente (no recibió la orden para ir a la corte) por lo menos 15 días antes del juicio (ó 20 días si vive fuera del condado), o
- Necesita más tiempo para conseguir intérprete. (Se permite un solo aplazamiento sin tener que pagar cuota para aplazar el juicio).

Pregúntele al secretario de reclamos menores sobre las reglas y lascuotas para aplazar un juicio. O llene el formulario SC-150 (o escribauna carta) y envíelo antes del plazo a la corte y a todas las otras personas que figuran en sus papeles de la corte. Adjunte un cheque para pagar los costos de la corte, a menos que le hayan dado una exención.



¿Necesita ayuda? El Asesor de Reclamos Menores de su condado le puede ayudar sin cargo.

Call (510) 272-1393

visit www.courts.ca.gov/reclamosmenores/asesores

\* Excepciones: Existen diferentes límites en un reclamo contra un garante. . (Vea el Código de Procedimiento Civil, sección 116.220 (c).)

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Reclamo del demandante y ORDEN para ir a la Corte de reclamos menores (Reclamos Menores)



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Other Plaintiffs or Defendants (Attachment to Plaintiff's claim and ORDER to Go to Small Claims Court)

## **CHRONOLOGICAL CASE REPORT**

Case No:

T17-0345

Case Name:

Cucci v. Lantz Properties

Property Address:

Parties:

2500 Ivy Drive, #104, Oakland, CA

Lawrence Cucci Edgar Lantz Bruce C. Harmon (Tenant)(Owner)(Agent for Owner)

## **OWNER APPEAL**

Activity

Tenant Petition filed

Owner Response filed

Hearing Decision Mailed

Owner Appeal filed

#### <u>Date</u>

June 5, 2017

August 14, 2017

November 16, 2017

December 12, 2017

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CITY OF OAKLAND	CITY)OF OAKLAND RENT ADJUSTMENT PROGRAM P.O. Box 70243 Oakland, CA 94612-0243 (510) 238-3721	For date stamp. 2017 JUN - 5 AM 10: 16 <u>TENANT PETITION</u>

<u>Please Fill Out This Form As Completely As You Can</u>. Failure to provide needed information may result in your petition being rejected or delayed.

Please print legibly

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Your Name LAWRENCE B	Rental Address (with zip code)	Telephone: 415-308-7149
CUCCI	2500 IVY DR APT 104 OAKLAND CA 94606	E-mail:
Your Representative's Name	Mailing Address (with zip code)	Telephone:
		Email:
Property Owner(s) name(s)	Mailing Address (with zip code)	Talanhanai
EDGAR LANTZ		Telephone: 1-510-428-9111
	(Some as below)	Email:
Property Manager or Management Co. (if applicable)	Mailing Address (with zip code) 5339 BROADWAY	Telephone:  - 510-428-9111
LANTZ PROPERTIES LLC	# 400 OAKLAND, CA 94618	Email: 12ntzproperties.com

Number of units on the property: 12

Type of unit you rent (check one)	🛛 House	Condominium	Apartment, Room, or Live-Work
Are you current on your rent? (check one)	Yes	🛛 No	······································

If you are not current on your rent, please explain. (If you are legally withholding rent state what, if any, habitability violations exist in your unit.)

**I. GROUNDS FOR PETITION**: Check all that apply. You must check at least one box. For all of the grounds for a petition see OMC 8.22.070 and OMC 8.22.090. I (We) contest one or more rent increases on one or more of the following grounds:

	(a) The CPI and/or banked rent increase notice I was given was calculated incorrectly.	
X	(b) The increase(s) exceed(s) the CPI Adjustment and is (are) unjustified or is (are) greater than 10%.	
	(c) I received a rent increase notice before the property owner received approval from the Rent Adjustmer Program for such an increase and the rent increase exceeds the CPI Adjustment and the available banked	nt
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	rent increase.
	(d) No written notice of Rent Program was given to me together with the notice of increase(s) I am contesting. (Only for increases noticed after July 26, 2000.)
X	(e) The property owner did not give me the required form "Notice of the Rent Adjustment Program" at least 6 months before the effective date of the rent increase(s).
 	(f) The rent increase notice(s) was (were) not given to me in compliance with State law.
	(g) The increase I am contesting is the second increase in my rent in a 12-month period.
	(h) There is a current health, safety, fire, or building code violation in my unit, or there are serious problems with the conditions in the unit because the owner failed to do requested repair and maintenance. (Complete Section III on following page)
	(i) The owner is providing me with fewer housing services than I received previously or is charging me for services originally paid by the owner. (OMC 8.22.070(F): A decrease in housing services is considered an increase in rent. A tenant may petition for a rent adjustment based on a decrease in housing services.) (Complete Section III on following page)
	(j) My rent was not reduced after a prior rent increase period for a Capital Improvement had expired.
	(k) The proposed rent increase would exceed an overall increase of 30% in 5 years. (The 5-year period begins with rent increases noticed on or after August 1, 2014).
	(1) I wish to contest an exemption from the Rent Adjustment Ordinance because the exemption was based on fraud or mistake (OMC 8.22, Article I)
	(m) The owner did not give me a summary of the justification(s) for the increase despite my written request.
	(n) The rent was raised illegally after the unit was vacated as set forth under OMC 8.22.080.

## **<u>II. RENTAL HISTORY</u>**: (You must complete this section)

997 t 783.86 Date you moved into the Unit: Initial Rent: \$ /month

When did the owner first provide you with the RAP NOTICE, a written NOTICE TO TENANTS of the existence of the Rent Adjustment Program? Date: 1 - 27 - 2017. If never provided, enter "Never."

Is your rent subsidized or controlled by any government agency, including HUD (Section 8)? Yes

List all rent increases that you want to challenge. Begin with the most recent and work backwards. If you need additional space, please attach another sheet. If you never received the RAP Notice you can contest all past increases. You must check "Yes" next to each increase that you are challenging.

Date you received the notice (mo/day/year)	eived the goes into effect notice (mo/day/year)		Are you Contesting this Increase in this Petition?*		Did You Receive a Rent Program Notice With the Notice Of Increase?		
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For more information phone (510) 238-3721.

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\* You have 90 days from the date of notice of increase or from the first date you received written notice of the existence of the Rent Adjustment program (whichever is later) to contest a rent increase. (O.M.C. 8.22.090 A 2) If you did not receive a *RAP Notice* with the rent increase you are contesting but have received it in the past, you have 120 days to file a petition. (O.M.C. 8.22.090 A 3)

Have you ever filed a petition for this rental unit?

□ Yes ↓ No

List case number(s) of all Petition(s) you have ever filed for this rental unit and all other relevant Petitions:

#### **III. DESCRIPTION OF DECREASED OR INADEQUATE HOUSING SERVICES:**

**Decreased or inadequate housing services are considered an increase in rent**. If you claim an unlawful rent increase for problems in your unit, or because the owner has taken away a housing service, you must complete this section.

Are you being charged for services originally paid by the owner?	🗆 Yes	🗆 No
Have you lost services originally provided by the owner or have the conditions changed?	□ Yes	🗆 No
Are you claiming any serious problem(s) with the condition of your rental unit?	🗆 Yes	🗆 No

If you answered "Yes" to any of the above, or if you checked box (h) or (i) on page 2, please attach a separate sheet listing a description of the reduced service(s) and problem(s). Be sure to include the following:

1) a list of the lost housing service(s) or problem(s);

- 2) the date the loss(es) or problem(s) began or the date you began paying for the service(s)
- 3) when you notified the owner of the problem(s); and

4) how you calculate the dollar value of lost service(s) or problem(s).

Please attach documentary evidence if available.

You have the option to have a City inspector come to your unit and inspect for any code violation. To make an appointment, call the City of Oakland, Code of Compliance Unit at (510) 238-3381.

**IV. VERIFICATION:** The tenant must sign:

I declare under penalty of perjury pursuant to the laws of the State of California that everything I said in this petition is true and that all of the documents attached to the petition are true copies of the originals.

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**Tenant's Signature** 

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**V. MEDIATION AVAILABLE:** Mediation is an entirely voluntary process to assist you in reaching an agreement with the owner. If both parties agree, you have the option to mediate your complaints before a hearing is held. If the parties do not reach an agreement in mediation, your case will go to a formal hearing before a different Rent Adjustment Program Hearing Officer.

You may choose to have the mediation conducted by a Rent Adjustment Program Hearing Officer or select an outside mediator. Rent Adjustment Program Hearing Officers conduct mediation sessions free of charge. If you and the owner agree to an outside mediator, please call (510) 238-3721 to make arrangements. Any fees charged by an outside mediator for mediation of rent disputes will be the responsibility of the parties requesting the use of their services.

Mediation will be scheduled only if both parties agree (after both your petition and the owner's response have been filed with the Rent Adjustment Program). <u>The Rent Adjustment Program will not schedule a</u> <u>mediation session if the owner does not file a response to the petition</u>. Rent Board Regulation 8.22.100.A.

If you want to schedule your case for mediation, sign below.

I agree to have my case mediated by a Rent Adjustment Program Staff Hearing Officer (no charge).

Tenant's Signature

Date

#### VI. IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

<u>Time to File</u> This form must be received at the offices of the City of Oakland, Rent Adjustment Program, Dalziel Building, 250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza Suite 5313, Oakland, CA 94612 within the time limit for filing a petition set out in the Rent Adjustment Ordinance, Oakland Municipal Code, Chapter 8.22. Board Staff cannot grant an extension of time to file your petition by phone. For more information, please call: (510) 238-3721.

#### File Review

Your property owner(s) will be required to file a response to this petition within 35 days of notification by the Rent Adjustment Program. You will be sent a copy of the Property Owner's Response. The petition and attachments to the petition can be found by logging into the RAP Online Petitioning System and accessing your case once this system is available. If you would like to review the attachments in person, please call the Rent Adjustment Program office at (510) 238-3721 to make an appointment.

#### VII. HOW DID YOU LEARN ABOUT THE RENT ADJUSTMENT PROGRAM?

Printed form provided by the owner

Pamphlet distributed by the Rent Adjustment Program

Legal services or community organization

Sign on bus or bus shelter

Rent Adjustment Program web site

Other (describe):

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<u>Please Fill Out This Form As Completely As You Can</u>. Failure to provide needed information may result in your response being rejected or delayed.

## CASE NUMBER T17-0345

Your Name	Complete Address (with zip code)	Telephone:
LANTZ PROPERTIES LLC	5339 BROADWAY \$400	510-4128-9111
EDGAR A.LANTZ	OAKLAND, CA 94618	Email: last 2 properties @ last 2 properties. com
		lantz properties. com
Your Representative's Name (if any)	Complete Address (with zip code)	Telephone:
		Email:
Tenant(s) Name(s)	Complete Address (with zip code)	······································
	2500 IVY DR #104	
LAWRENCE B. CUCCI	OAKLAND, CA 94606	415-308-7149
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Property Address (If the property has more	re than one address, list all addresses)	Total number of units on
		property
2500 IUY DR, DAKLA	ND. CA 94606	13

Have you paid for your Oakland Business License? Yes B No  $\Box$  Lic. Number:  $\underbrace{56691}^{"ExH_{B}T}$  The property owner must have a current Oakland Business License. If it is not current, an Owner Petition or Response may not be considered in a Rent Adjustment proceeding. Please provide proof of payment.

Have you paid the current year's Rent Program Service Fee (\$68 per unit)? Yes  $\square$  No  $\square$  APN:  $22 \cdot 0340 \cdot 08 \cdot 02$ The property owner must be current on payment of the RAP Service Fee. If the fee is not current, an Owner Petition  $\mathcal{E}_{KHB}/T 2^{\prime\prime}$ or Response may not be considered in a Rent Adjustment proceeding. Please provide proof of payment.

Date on which you acquired the building: 1/14/83.

Is there more than one street address on the parcel? Yes  $\Box$  No  $\mathbf{X}$ .

Type of unit (Circle One): House / Condominium/Apartment) room, or live-work

**<u>I. JUSTIFICATION FOR RENT INCREASE</u>** You must check the appropriate justification(s) box for each increase greater than the Annual CPI adjustment contested in the tenant(s) petition. For the detailed text of these justifications, see Oakland Municipal Code Chapter 8.22 and the Rent

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Board Regulations. You will get additional information and copies with Ordinance and Regulations from the Rent Program office in person or by phoning (510) 238-3721.

You must prove the contested rent increase is justified. For each justification checked on the following table, you must attach organized documentary evidence demonstrating your entitlement to the increase. This documentation may include cancelled checks, receipts, and invoices. Undocumented expenses, except certain maintenance, repair, legal, accounting and management expenses, will not usually be allowed.

Date of Contested Increase	Image: Signal	Increased Housing Service Costs	Capital Improvements	Uninsured Repair Costs	Debt Service	Fair Return
10/1/2017			Ø			
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If you are justifying additional contested increases, please attach a separate sheet.

**<u>II. RENT HISTORY</u>** If you contest the Rent History stated on the Tenant Petition, state the correct information in this section. If you leave this section blank, the rent history on the tenant's petition will be considered correct

The tenant moved into the rental unit on 3/9/1996

The tenant's initial rent including all services provided was: \$ 465.00 / month.

Have you (or a previous Owner) given the City of Oakland's form entitled "NOTICE TO TENANTS OF RESIDENTIAL RENT ADJUSTMENT PROGRAM" ("RAP Notice") to all of the petitioning tenants? Yes <u>X</u> No <u>I</u> don't know

If yes, on what date was the Notice first given? 2/9/1996

Is the tenant current on the rent? Yes X No

Begin with the most recent rent and work backwards. If you need more space please attach another sheet.

Date Notice Given	Date Increase Effective	Rent Increased		Did you provide the "RAP NOTICE" with the notice	
(mo./day/year)		From	То	of rent increase?	
1/31/2017	10/1/2017	\$ 858.86	\$ 919.20	🕅 Yes 🗆 No	
		\$	\$	🗆 Yes 🗆 No	
·		\$	\$	🗆 Yes 🗆 No	
		\$	\$	🗆 Yes 🗆 No	
		\$	\$	□ Yes □ No	

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## **III. EXEMPTION**

If you claim that your property is exempt from Rent Adjustment (Oakland Municipal Code Chapter 8.22), please check one or more of the grounds:

The unit is a single family residence or condominium exempted by the Costa Hawkins Rental Housing Act (California Civil Code 1954.50, et seq.). If claiming exemption under Costa-Hawkins, please answer the following questions on a separate sheet:

- 1. Did the prior tenant leave after being given a notice to quit (Civil Code Section 1946)?
- 2. Did the prior tenant leave after being given a notice of rent increase (Civil Code Section 827)?
- 3. Was the prior tenant evicted for cause?
- 4. Are there any outstanding violations of building housing, fire or safety codes in the unit or building?
- 5. Is the unit a single family dwelling or condominium that can be sold separately?
- 6. Did the petitioning tenant have roommates when he/she moved in?
- 7. If the unit is a condominium, did you purchase it? If so: 1) from whom? 2) Did you purchase the entire building?

The rent for the unit is **controlled**, **regulated** or **subsidized** by a governmental unit, agency or authority other than the City of Oakland Rent Adjustment Ordinance.

 $\Box$  The unit was **newly constructed** and a certificate of occupancy was issued for it on or after January 1, 1983.

 $\Box$  On the day the petition was filed, the tenant petitioner was a resident of a motel, hotel, or boarding house less than 30 days.

 $\Box$  The subject unit is in a building that was **rehabilitated** at a cost of 50% or more of the average basic cost of new construction.

 $\Box$  The unit is an accommodation in a hospital, convent, monastery, extended care facility, convalescent home, non-profit home for aged, or dormitory owned and operated by an educational institution.

The unit is located in a building with three or fewer units. The owner occupies one of the units continuously as his or her principal residence and has done so for at least one year.

#### **IV. DECREASED HOUSING SERVICES**

If the petition filed by your tenant claims **Decreased Housing Services**, state your position regarding the tenant's claim(s) of decreased housing services. If you need more space attach a separate sheet. Submit any documents, photographs or other tangible evidence that supports your position.

#### V. VERIFICATION

I declare under penalty of perjury pursuant to the laws of the State of California that all statements made in this Response are true and that all of the documents attached hereto are true copies of the originals.

EALLO HOLMON FOR, Property Owner's Signature LANTZ PROPECTIES I, LCC

EDGAR A. LANTZ, SOLE MANAGING MEMBER

<u>8/12/2017</u> Date

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## IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

## Time to File

This form **must be received** by the Rent Adjustment Program (RAP), P.O. Box 70243, Oakland, CA 94612-0243, within 35 days after a copy of the tenant petition was mailed to you. Timely mailing as shown by a postmark does not suffice. The date of mailing is shown on the Proof of Service attached to the response documents mailed to you. If the RAP office is closed on the last day to file, the time to file is extended to the next day the office is open.

You can date-stamp and drop your Response in the Rent Adjustment drop box at the Housing Assistance Center. The Housing Assistance Center is open Monday through Friday, except holidays, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

#### File Review

You should have received a copy of the petition (and claim of decreased housing services) filed by your tenant. When the RAP Online Petitioning System is available, you will be able to view the response and attachments by logging in and accessing your case files. If you would like to review the attachments in person, please call the Rent Adjustment Program office at (510) 238-3721 to make an appointment.

#### Mediation Program

Mediation is an entirely voluntary process to assist you in reaching an agreement with your tenant. In mediation, the parties discuss the situation with someone not involved in the dispute, discuss the relative strengths and weaknesses of the parties' case, and consider their needs in the situation. Your tenant may have agreed to mediate his/her complaints by signing the mediation section in the copy of the petition mailed to you. If the tenant signed for mediation and if you also agree to mediation, a mediation session will be scheduled before the hearing with a RAP staff member trained in mediation.

If the tenant did not sign for mediation, you may want to discuss that option with them. You and your tenant may agree to have your case mediated at any time before the hearing by submitted a written request signed by both of you. If you and the tenant agree to a non-staff mediator, please call (510) 238-3721 to make arrangements. Any fees charged by a non-staff mediator are the responsibility of the parties that participate. You may bring a friend, representative or attorney to the mediation session. Mediation will be scheduled only if both parties agree and after your response has been filed with the RAP.

# If you want to schedule your case for mediation and the tenant has already agreed to mediation on their petition, sign below.

I agree to have my case mediated by a Rent Adjustment Program Staff member at no charge.

Property Owner's Signature

Date

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# LANTZ PROPERTIES LLC

## LANDLORD RESPONSE

Cucci vs. Lantz Case Number: T17-0345

## I. Grounds for Petition

Mr. Cucci's is contesting that the rent increase is greater than the annual CPI increase allowed on the grounds that (b) The increase exceeds the CPI Adjustment and is unjustified or is greater than 10%.

Mr. Cucci's increase is based on Capital Improvements and falls within the allowable limit according to your ENHANCED NOTICE TO TENANTS FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS form.

Also, the tenant portion of the Oakland Rent Service Fee increased from \$1.25 per month to \$2.83 per month

On the THIRTY DAY NOTICE OF CHANGE OF MONTHLY RENT we gave Mr. Cucci on 1/31/2017, we mistakenly listed his previous rent as \$783.86, but this did not include \$75 for the garage he rents. His previous rent was \$858.86.

Please see Exhibit 6, the THIRTY DAY NOTICE OF CHANGE OF MONTHLY RENT, effective 10/01/2016, increasing Mr. Cucci's rent to \$858.86, and Exhibit 7 Mr. Cucci's Rent Statement from 8/1/2016 showing that he has been paying \$858.86 per month from 10/01/2016 to date.

Mr. Cucci is also contesting the rent increase on the grounds that (e) The property owner did not give me the required form "Notice of the Rent Adjustment Program" at least 6 months before the effective date of the rent increase(s).

Mr. Cucci first received a copy of the "Notice of the Rent Adjustment Program" on 2/9/1996 and on the back of every rent increase he has been given since then including the one given to him on 1/31/2017. He states in II Rental History that he received a copy on 1/27/2017 which is more than 6 months prior to the effective date of the rent increase.

Sincerely,

Edgar A. Lantz

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EXHIBIT 8



P.O. BOX 70243, OAKLAND, CA 94612-2043

## CITY OF OAKLAND

Department of Housing and Community Development Rent Adjustment Program

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## **HEARING DECISION**

2500 Ivy Dr., # 104, Oakland, CA

**CASE NUMBER:** 

T17-0345, Cucci v. Lantz

**PROPERTY ADDRESS:** 

October 17, 2017

DATE OF HEARING: DATE OF DECISION:

October 25, 2017

**APPEARANCES:** 

Lawrence B. Cucci (Tenant) Edgar Lantz (Owner) Bruce C. Harmon (Agent for Owner)

#### SUMMARY OF DECISION

The tenant's petition is granted.

#### **CONTENTIONS OF THE PARTIES**

The tenant filed a petition on June 5, 2017, which alleges that a proposed rent increase from \$858.86 to \$919.20 per month, effective October 1, 2017, exceeds the CPI Adjustment and is unjustified or is greater than 10%. The owner filed a response to the petition, which alleges that the proposed rent increase is justified by Capital Improvements.

#### THE ISSUE

Is a rent increase based upon Capital Improvements justified and, if so in what amount?

## **EVIDENCE**

<u>Capital Improvement Costs</u>: The owner submitted the following documents regarding claimed capital improvement expenses: A Repair Proposal from Paramount Elevator Corp. dated July 14,



2016, for replacement of the elevator cylinder in the subject building in the amount of \$60,900, and a document apparently prepared by "Lantz Properties, LLC."<sup>1</sup> This latter document states that in July and August 2016, the total sum of \$65,486 was paid for a "repair."

<u>Rent History:</u> At the Hearing, the tenant testified that he paid rent of \$858.86 in October 2017, and that he will continue to pay this amount until he receives a Hearing Decision.

## FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The applicable rules of evidence in an Administrative Hearing are stated in Government Code Section 11513: "Any relevant evidence shall be admitted if it is the sort of evidence on which responsible persons are accustomed to rely in the conduct of serious affairs . . ."

The Rent Adjustment Ordinance states: "In order for an owner to file a response to a tenant petition . . . the owner must provide the following: . . . Documentation supporting the owner's claimed justification(s) for the rent increase."<sup>2</sup> The Board has held that "[I]n order for a landlord to establish an exemption for a substantially rehabilitated building . . . a landlord must provide evidence independent of his own testimony or summaries prepared in anticipation of the hearing to substantiate the costs of new construction."<sup>3</sup> The same principle applies in a capital improvement case.

A list of purported expenses that was prepared by the owner – without any other proof of payment – clearly does not meet the required evidentiary standard for a rent increase. Therefore, the contested rent increase is invalid. Therefore, the tenant's rent remains \$858.86 per month.

#### ORDER

1. Petition T17-0345 is granted.

2. The rent remains \$858.86 per month.

3. <u>Right to Appeal</u>: This decision is the final decision of the Rent Adjustment Program Staff. Either party may appeal this decision by filing a properly completed appeal using the form provided by the Rent Adjustment Program. The appeal must be received within twenty (20) calendar days after service of the decision. The date of service is shown on the attached Proof of Service. If the Rent Adjustment Office is closed on the last day to file, the appeal may be filed on the next business day.

Dated: October 25, 2017

And

Stephen Kasdin Hearing Officer Rent Adjustment Program

<sup>1</sup> Exhibit Nos. 6 through 8, which were admitted into evidence without objection.

- <sup>2</sup> O.M.C. Section 8.22.090(B)(1)
- <sup>3</sup> T04-0158, Ulman v. Breen & Orton

### **PROOF OF SERVICE**

#### Case Number T17-0345

I am a resident of the State of California at least eighteen years of age. I am not a party to the Residential Rent Adjustment Program case listed above. I am employed in Alameda County, California. My business address is 250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Suite 5313, 5th Floor, Oakland, California 94612.

Today, I served the attached Hearing Decision by placing a true copy of it in a sealed envelope in a City of Oakland mail collection receptacle for mailing on the below date at 250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Suite 5313, 5th Floor, Oakland, California, addressed to:

#### Tenant

Lawrence B. Cucci 2500 Ivy Dr #104 Oakland, CA 94606

#### Owner

Lantz Properties LLC/Edgar Lantz 5339 Broadway #400 Oakland, CA 94618

**Owner Representative** Bruce Harmon 5339 Broadway #400 Oakland, CA 94618

I am readily familiar with the City of Oakland's practice of collection and processing correspondence for mailing. Under that practice an envelope placed in the mail collection receptacle described above would be deposited in the United States mail with the U.S. Postal Service on that same day with first class postage thereon fully prepaid in the ordinary course of business.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the above is true and correct. Executed on November 16, 2017 in Oakland, CA.

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	CITY OF OAKLA RENT ADJUSTM 250 Frank Ogawa Plaza Oakland, CA 94612	ENT PROGRAM	RENT ARBITRATION PROGRAM
CITY OF OAKLAND	(510) 238-3721		APPEAL
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Appellant's Name LANTZ PROPER	TIESLEC/EDGA.	e A LANTZ	🚽 Owner 🛛 Tenant
Property Address (Include 2500 IVY DR. OAKLAND, M	Unit Number) 17/09		
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DAKLAND, CA	94618	10/2	cision appealed 5 / 1 '7
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BRUCE HARMO	N	SAME AS A	PPELLANT'S Address

Please select your ground(s) for appeal from the list below. As part of the appeal, an explanation must be provided responding to each ground for which you are appealing. Each ground for appeal listed below includes directions as to what should be included in the explanation.

1) There are math/clerical errors that require the Hearing Decision to be updated. (Please clearly explain the math/clerical errors.)

2) Appealing the decision for one of the grounds below (required):

- a) The decision is inconsistent with OMC Chapter 8.22, Rent Board Regulations or prior decisions of the Board. (In your explanation, you must identify the Ordinance section, regulation or prior Board decision(s) and describe how the description is inconsistent.).\*
- b) The decision is inconsistent with decisions issued by other Hearing Officers. (In your explanation, you must identify the prior inconsistent decision and explain how the decision is inconsistent.)
- c) The decision raises a new policy issue that has not been decided by the Board. (In your explanation, you must provide a detailed statement of the issue and why the issue should be decided in your favor.).
- d) The decision violates federal, state or local law. (In your explanation, you must provide a detailed statement as to what law is violated.)
- e) The decision is not supported by substantial evidence. (In your explanation, you must explain why the decision is not supported by substantial evidence found in the case record.)

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- f) I was denied a sufficient opportunity to present my claim or respond to the petitioner's claim. (In your explanation, you must describe how you were denied the chance to defend your claims and what evidence you would have presented. Note that a hearing is not required in every case. Staff may issue a decision without a hearing if sufficient facts to make the decision are not in dispute.)
- g) 
  The decision denies the Owner a fair return on my investment. (You may appeal on this ground only when your underlying petition was based on a fair return claim. You must specifically state why you have been denied a fair return and attach the calculations supporting your claim.)
- h) 🛛 A Other. (In your explanation, you must attach a detailed explanation of your grounds for appeal.)

Submissions to the Board are limited to 25 pages from each party. Please number attached pages consecutively. Number of pages attached: \_\_\_\_\_

You must serve a copy of your appeal on the opposing party(ies) or your appeal may be dismissed. I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that on

<u>DECEMBER 6</u>, 2017, I placed a copy of this form, and all attached pages, in the United States mail or deposited it with a commercial carrier, using a service at least as expeditious as first class mail, with all postage or charges fully prepaid, addressed to each opposing party as follows:

Name	LAWRENCE B. CUCCI
Address	2500 IVY DR # 104
City, State Zip	OAKLAND, CA 94606
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Name	
Address	
<u>City, State Zip</u>	

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# LANTZ PROPERTIES LLC

## APPEAL OF CASE NUMBER 717-0345

Under FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW, the last paragraph reads, in part:

A list of purported expenses that was prepared by the owner – without any other proof of payment – clearly does not meet the required evidentiary standard for a rent increase.

Exhibit 8, Hearing Officer Kasdin's numbering, is a receipt from Paramount Elevator showing bill was paid in full. This receipt is on Paramount Elevator's letterhead. We highlighted the total amount paid, \$65,486.00, on Paramount Elevator's receipt since the statement shows we were given a refund because the milling work, that we paid for in advance, was \$1,730.00 less than estimated.

I am attaching a copy of Exhibit 8 with Hearing Officer Kasdin's "8" in the upper right corner when viewed as "landscape".

Sincerely,

Bruce Hamon

Bruce Harmon, For Edgar A. Lantz Lantz Properties LLC

LANTZPR001 Lantz Properties, LLC 1102 Silverado Trail Calistoga, CA 94515

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Trial Balance - 2500 Ivy Drive 9/30/2016

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	9/30/2016 Invoice Number INV-02503-K7K1 INV-01995-D5T6
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Balance Due Refund Issued 9/22/16 CK#75500 Balance Due	Building Location 2500 ky Drive 2500 ky Drive
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