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Statement on Governor Hochul Signing Legislation to Increase Due Process Protections for Tenants Facing Eviction

(NEW YORK, NY) - The Legal Aid Society released the following statement in response to Governor Kathy Hochul signing <u>legislation</u> that increases due process protections for tenants facing eviction:

"Too often, our clients who are facing eviction are caught by surprise when a City Marshal knocks on their door, completely unaware that a hard copy notice of eviction had been previously served, undercutting their due process rights and ability to save their home.

"S9377/A9166, which is now law, requires City Marshals to electronically file notices of eviction, which can easily be found online in any case history, helping tenants and their attorneys prepare for next steps.

"The Legal Aid Society hails bill sponsors Senator Brad Hoylman-Sigal and Assembly Member Charles Lavine for sponsoring this critical legislation and seeing it codified into law."

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