TRANSCRIPT OF THE NEW YORK CITY OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE TRIALS AND HEARINGS (OATH) PUBLIC HEARING



DATE OF PUBLIC HEARING: April 5, 2022

TIME: 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

WebEx Video Conference

- 1. Joy Thompson: Good morning and welcome to OATH's public
- 2. hearing on the Proposed Rule Regarding Motions to Vacate
- 3. Defaults.
- 4. My name is Joy Thompson. It is not Frank Ng. I'm an Assistant
- 5. General Counsel at the New York City Office of Administrative Trials
- 6. and Hearings also known as OATH. I am using Frank Ng log on. So
- 7. just to cut down on any confusion, I am Joy Thompson, Assistant
- 8. General Counsel at OATH. Thank you for attending today's
- 9. Hearing and I see we are being joined by very good. So, we are all
- 10. here.
- 11. OATH is conducting this hearing in accordance with the
- 12. requirements of the City Administrative Procedure Act. The purpose
- 13. of this hearing is to receive comments from the public on OATH's
- 14. Proposed Rule Regarding Motions to Vacate Defaults.
- 15. OATH proposes to amend its Rules of Practice in Title 48 of the
- 16. Rules of the City of New York to provide more time for moving
- 17. to reopen a default and request a new hearing in OATH's Hearings
- 18. Division. The proposed rule would amend Section 6-21 of Title 48 of
- 19. the Rules of the City of New York to change the deadline for
- 20. requesting a new hearing after a default from 60 days to 75 days.
- 21. This proposed rule was published in The City Record on
- 22. March 2, 2022. OATH e-mailed the rule to the Speaker of
- 23. the City Council; every Member of the City Council; all community

- 24. board managers and the news media. OATH also posted the
- 25. proposed rule on OATH's website; the New York City Rules website
- 26. and the City Records online website.
- 27. OATH has been accepting written comments on this proposed rule
- 28. since the date it was published in The City Record and OATH will
- 29. continue to accept written comments through the close of business
- 30. today.
- 31. At this hearing, you may present an oral statement concerning
- 32. the proposed rule. We just ask that before you begin speaking:
- 33. Please state your name and affiliation whether you are with an
- 34. agency, the media, etc.
- 35. Please speak slowly and clearly, so that your statement can be
- 36. accurately recorded and please limit your statement to no more than
- 37. three minutes.
- 38. Shortly after today's hearing, copies of all written comments
- 39. received by OATH, concerning this proposed rule, and a
- 40. summary of the statements given today, will be made
- 41. available to the public on OATH's website and here is the website
- 42. address.
- 43. https://www1.nyc.gov/site/oath/about/legal-resources-and-rule-making.page
- 44. That is the website address. I am also going to copy and paste this
- 45. into the chat so that you can see it. Again, a summary of the
- 46. statements given today will be made available to the public on
- 47. OATH's website at the address that was just added to the chat.

- 48. Before issuing its Final Rule, OATH will carefully consider the
- 49. statements presented at today's hearing, as well as all written
- 50. comments received by the close of business today.
- 51. Now, the floor is open for comments. Is there any discussion?
- 52. I want to welcome Sam Solomon here.
- 53. Sam Solomon: Hello
- 54. Joy Thompson: Hi, good morning.
- 55. Sam Solomon: I have no comments.
- 56. Joy Thompson: Thank you, sir.
- 57. As we have a pretty sparse hearing today. So, I'll just allow for a few
- 58. more seconds if you want to join us. I'll wait until 11:07. I wish I had
- 59. the timer from the game show.
- 60. It is 11:07. Since there are no comments on OATH's Proposed Rule
- 61. Regarding Motions to Vacate Defaults, this meeting is now
- 62. adjourned. Thank you all for attending and please be safe and well.

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Elizabeth Nolan

Date Transcribed: April 11, 2022

Comment #1

Received: March 18, 2022

To: Rules_Oath Rules Oath@oath.nvc.gov

Subject: we are in favor of the proposed rule extending deadline

Ms. Thompson.

Good morning, I hope you are well. We are writing to express our support for the newly proposed rule allowing an additional 15 days to request to open a default.

Time for Moving to Reopen a Default and Request a New Hearing Status: In support

Please be so kind to confirm receipt.

Thank you for all that you do!!!

Glen Bolofsky, CPA, CEO Parkingticket.com



Comment #2

Posted Online to https://rules.cityofnewyork.us/

Comment added April 5, 2022 9:03am

Emanuel Jalonschi

It would be very helpful if there were more time available to try to reopen a default and request a new hearing. For those of us who work in supportive housing, that extra time can be crucial.