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### **HOC Seeks Volunteers for Agency Hearing Board**

The Housing Opportunities Commission is seeking licensed attorneys with experience in administrative and landlord-tenant law to volunteer as Community Representatives on the agency's three-person Hearing Board. The Hearing Board is the final arbiter of appeals by residents facing termination from the federal Housing Choice Voucher program (formerly Section 8) or eviction from Public Housing.

The Community Representative's appointment is subject to approval by the agency's governing board. The term is for two years. Typically, the Hearing Board convenes one evening a month for one or two hearings that last 60-90 minutes each. The Community Representative serves as Chair of the Board. The Hearing Board renders a decision at the close of the hearing and the Chair issues a written ruling soon after.

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