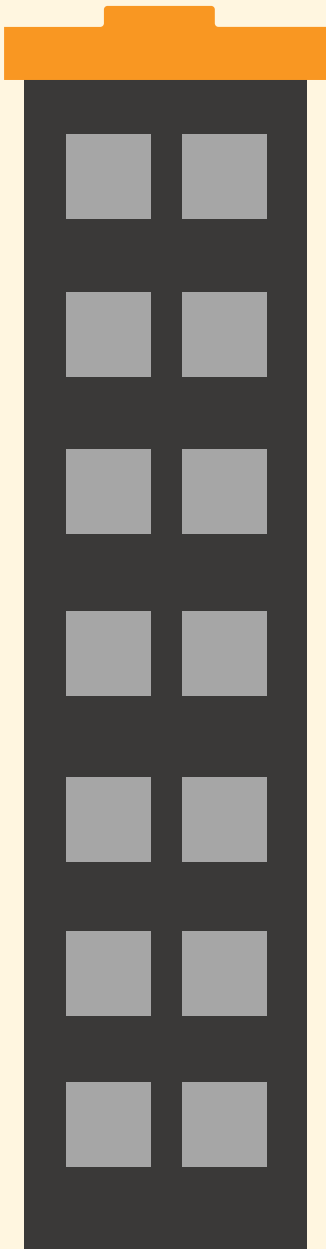


Tenant Harassment Fact Sheet

Following years of organizing, NYC greatly expanded the legal definition of tenant harassment in 2017, but **our analysis shows that only between 1.8% and 2.3% of court cases involving harassment result in judgments in favor of tenants.**



- From 2016 through mid-2021, there were 7,126 cases involving harassment in residential properties in NYC. **Such cases represent just 0.5% of the total 1,406,138 cases in housing court.** In comparison, 66.4% of all cases (947,141) were for eviction.
- **Our analysis of court records revealed that of all 7,126 harassment-related cases, at most 165 – just 2.3% – resulted in a judgment in favor of the tenant.**
- **HPD’s data on harassment cases over the same time period revealed a total 125 harassment findings out of 6,994 cases, or 1.8%**

"Harassment claims take a long time to litigate and so few cases have a favorable outcome for tenants. Some attorneys may believe that bringing a harassment case is not worth it."

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Of all the cases in Housing Court, nearly 1 MILLION were for Eviction



And only 7,126 cases were for Harassment

Of those 7,126, at most 165 were ruled in favor of the tenant, or 2.3%

