

**SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 21-13**

**Order Granting Access to Data from Landlord and Tenant Cases**

**WHEREAS**, under D.C. Code § 42-3505.09(d)(2), the court may open sealed landlord and tenant case records upon a showing of compelling need; and

**WHEREAS**, the District of Columbia Department of Human Services (“DHS”) seeks court data from landlord and tenant cases, including cases sealed pursuant to D.C. Code § 42-3505.09, in order to conduct an analysis of the correlation between evictions and shelter stays; and

**WHEREAS**, DHS agrees to adhere to the court’s cell suppression policy and indicates that it will not report the data in a manner that can be used to deduce the identity of any individual;

**NOW THEREFORE**, it is by the court,

**ORDERED**, that court staff may provide DHS with the data described in the Restricted Data Use Agreement Between the DC Courts and the DC Department of Human Services fully executed on September 27, 2021 (“DUA”), for landlord and tenant cases, including cases sealed pursuant to D.C. Code § 42-3505.09; and it is

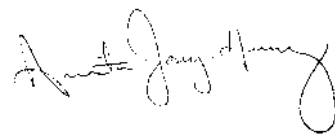
**FURTHER ORDERED**, that DHS shall only use and disclose the data as permitted by the DUA; and it is

**FURTHER ORDERED**, that DHS shall not disclose the data in any other manner or for any other purpose without prior approval of the court.

**SO ORDERED.**

**BY THE COURT**

**October 25, 2021**



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**Anita M. Josey-Herring  
Chief Judge**

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