

# Mayor Adams Announces Appointment of new Member to Rent Guidelines Board

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**NEW YORK** – New York City Mayor Eric Adams today announced his appointment of Adán Soltren as a tenant member on the New York City Rent Guidelines Board (RGB). The appointment follows Mayor Adams' appointments last month of [two other RGB members](#).

"In New York City, we cannot afford to put our affordable housing at risk," said **Mayor Adams**. "My administration is focused on using data to inform decisions, and I am confident that all of my appointees will faithfully evaluate the data they are presented and make an informed decision about how best to protect the city's affordable housing."

"I am extremely honored and excited to be appointed by Mayor Adams to fill the tenant member vacancy on the Rent Guidelines Board," said **Adán Soltren**. "As a rent-stabilized tenant and a staunch advocate for tenants' rights, I look forward to working with my fellow board members, the mayor's office, and housing stakeholders to make informed decisions about how best to preserve long-term affordability of the housing stock in New York City."

The RGB is mandated to establish rent adjustments for the approximately 1 million apartments and homes subject to New York City's rent stabilization law. The board consists of nine members, all appointed by the mayor — two members are appointed to represent tenant interests, two members are appointed to represent owner interests, and the remaining five members are appointed to represent the general public.

## About Adán Soltren

Adán Soltren Esq. is a staff attorney with the Housing Justice Unit — Group Advocacy project of the Legal Aid Society's civil practice. He is a member of Legal Aid's Harlem Community Law Office and works closely with tenant associations and groups of low-

income tenants throughout Manhattan on a wide array of legal matters pertaining to New York housing law. Throughout his seven-year tenure at the Legal Aid Society, Soltren has also held many roles within the United Auto Workers Association of Legal Aid Attorneys Local 2325, including union delegate, Attorneys of Color at Legal Aid caucus co-representative, and trustee. He serves as chair of the board of directors for Settlement Health, a federally qualified health center located in East Harlem that is committed to providing affordable, high-quality medical services to communities of color in El Barrio and portions of the South Bronx. Soltren previously ran his own legal partnership specializing in immigration law in the Washington D.C., Maryland, and Virginia area.

He received his B.A. in sociology from the George Washington University in 2009 and his J.D. from the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law in 2012.

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