



**FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA  
PHILADELPHIA MUNICIPAL COURT**

**NOTICE TO THE BAR**

Effective Monday, August 12, 2024, the Landlord Tenant Officer (“LTO”) will no longer be accepting new writs of possession. Following that date, all writs will be directed to the Philadelphia Sheriff’s Office.

Beginning Tuesday, August 13, 2024, the LTO will accept alias writs of possession on matters where the writs of possession had previously been filed with the LTO and paid for until the close of business Monday, September 9, 2024.

After Monday, September 9, 2024, if a writ has already been filed with the LTO and no alias writ is filed, litigants will be required to re-start the process with the Sheriff’s Office.

**DATE: July 31, 2024**

**Honorable T. Francis Shields  
President Judge  
Philadelphia Municipal Court  
First Judicial District of Pennsylvania**