

## TIPS for TENANTS Executive Order 2020-14 & 2020-49 on EVICTIONS/Motions to Compel

In evictions, a landlord may file a Motion to Compel with the court to try to stop the tenant from receiving the delay in the enforcement of the eviction. To respond to a landlord's Motion to Compel, tenants should know the following:

WHAT should I do if my landlord files a Motion to Compel?	Contact the court listed on your eviction complaint immediately to find out how to submit your documents and appear at the Motion to Compel hearing. Make sure the court has your correct phone number before the hearing. If you do not respond to the Motion, your landlord may be able to stop the delay to enforcement of the eviction.
WHAT should I prepare for the hearing if it is before August 22?	You will need to present your notice you gave to your landlord of your COVID-19 circumstance and all of your supporting documentation to the judge. Make sure your landlord and their attorney has all of your documentation before or at the hearing.
WHAT should I prepare for the hearing if it is between August 22 and October 31?	<ol> <li>The notice you presented to your landlord of your COVID-19 related hardship dated after August 21 and all of your supporting documentation;</li> <li>Written proof you completed an application for rental assistance from a city, county or state or nonprofit; and</li> <li>Written proof you made an offer to your landlord to enter into a payment plan.</li> </ol>
WHAT happens once the judge rules on motion?	If the judge rules in your favor, you will continue to receive a delay in the enforcement of your eviction.  If the judge rules for the landlord, the sheriff or constable can lock you out five days after the judge rules on the motion.
WHAT if I didn't receive a notice of the hearing?	You may want to file an emergency Motion to Reconsider or contact an attorney immediately. <u>Community Legal Services</u> , <u>DNA People's Legal Services</u> or <u>Southern Arizona Legal Aid</u> may be able to help.

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