



Adult Survivors Act:

Holding Perpetrators Accountable and Promoting Justice

The Assembly Majority passed legislation to create a one-year lookback window for adult survivors of sexual crimes to bring civil claims that are barred by a statute of limitations. (A.648-A)



Dear Friends and Neighbors,

I proudly cosponsor the Adult Survivors Act passed by the Assembly today ensure the adult survivors of sexual assault who has previously been barred from civil action are able to seek justice in court.

On Town Hall Tuesday, we heard from crime prevention Detective Nuccio who gave us tips for staying safe at home and traveling throughout our city, and alerted us to common identity theft scams.

We held the second in a series of outreach events to sign our neighbors up for a rent freeze. Contact our office for information on the rent freeze and an application.

Every New Yorker should be able to heat and cool their homes to live safely! I am proud to have supported legislation to expand access to the critical HEAP program! <u>Click here for more information on how to apply for HEAP</u>.

Consider joining us for one of our upcoming events:

- Tuesday, May 24 from 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm No-Cost Housing Legal Clinic. RSVP by calling 212-288-4607.
- Thursday, May 26 from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm at the District Office of Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright, 1485 York Avenue (78/79 Streets) - No-Cost Face Covering Giveaway. <u>RSVP here.</u>
- Thursday, May 26 from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm on Zoom Virtual Knitting Social on zoom. <u>RSVP here.</u>
- Tuesday, May 31 at 8:00 pm Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright Hosts Rise Up on MNN: Defining Consent (Spectrum 34, 1993, 1995, RCN 82, FiOS 33).

Please don't hesitate to reach out to our community office if we can be of assistance.

Phone: 212.288.4607 *Email*: SeawrightR@NYAssembly.gov

Sincerely,

Rebecca Q Seanting

Virtual Town Hall Tuesday: 19th Precinct Presentation On Basic Safety, Scam Prevention and ID Theft Prevention



On the latest town hall Tuesday, Assembly Member Seawright hosted crime prevention Detective Nuccio for a presentation on basic safety, scam prevention and ID theft prevention. <u>Click here to</u> <u>view the full town hall.</u>

Community Office Rent Freeze Clinic With New York City Department of Finance



Sheila (left) got help applying for the Senior Citizen Rent Increase Exemption with Melissa (right), a representative from the New York City Department of Finance.

Seawright Cosponsors Adult Survivor Legislation Votes To Grant Sexual Assault Survivors A Fair Shot At Justice

"Sexual assault is a vicious and inexcusable crime that forces victims to contend with unimaginable physical and emotional trauma. For many survivors, the coping process is ongoing and may prevent them from ever confronting their abuser because they simply run out of time under current law. It's crucial that our legal system acknowledges and respects this fact so victims can tell their story and pursue justice on their own terms, without a ticking clock threatening to silence them.

"The Adult Survivors Act would create a one-year 'look-back' window for adult survivors of sexual assault to file civil claims and hold their abusers accountable (A.648-A). It also allows for the revival of time-barred civil lawsuits based on sex crimes against victims who were 18 or older at the time of the crime. Coming to terms with this abuse can take years or even decades for victims no matter their age, and they should each be at liberty to decide when and how they want to

come forward.

"This legislation builds on the Assembly Majority's record of standing up for and giving voices to abuse survivors. In 2019, we came together to pass the Child Victims Act to allow more victims of childhood sexual abuse to face their abusers in a court of law (Ch. 11 of 2019). As a result, more than 10,000 lawsuits have been filed and countless survivors have been empowered to share their stories. However, many individuals who were shut out of our courts due to New York's formerly insufficient statutes of limitations have still been left without a path to seek justice. The Adult Survivors Act would finally give these survivors the chance to get justice and have their perpetrators held accountable.

"Here in New York State, we'll always ensure victims are heard, believed and given the opportunity to seek justice. After tragically having their power ripped from them, the Adult Survivors Act will put control back into the hands of survivors and help them gain the closure they need to continue healing and moving forward."

Place Your Order for Free At-Home COVID-19 Tests Through The US Postal Service

Residential households in the U.S. are now eligible for another order of free at-home tests on

USPS.com. Here's what you need to know about your order:

- Each order now includes 8 rapid antigen COVID-19 tests
- Your order of 8 tests will come in 2 separate packages (4 tests in each package), each with its own tracking number.
- Packages will ship free

Order your COVID test kits

Upcoming Events

ASSEMBLY MEMBER REBECCA A. SEAWRIGHT

HOUSING Legal Clinic

Get help navigating the housing court process, responding to notices, dealing with threat of eviction, getting repairs from negligent landlords, and advocating for your rights as a tenant in New York City!

TUES. MAY 24

EVERY OTHER TUESDAY AT 3:30 PM ATTORNEYS FROM THE LAW OFFICES OF GRIMBLE & LOGUIDICE, LLC PROVIDES ADVICE ON HOUSING-RELATED MATTERS FOR CONSTITUENTS OF THE 76TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

DISTRICT COMMUNITY OFFICE OF ASSEMBLY MEMBER REBECCA A. SEAWRIGHT 1485 YORK AVENUE (78/79 STREETS)

CALL: 212-288-4607 EMAIL: SEAWRIGHTR@NYASSEMBLY.GOV

The legal clinic is solely to provide guidance and advice from attorney's experienced in landlord-tenant law. The clinic does not guarantee a desired outcome and does not establish an attorneyclient relationship. Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright does not represent or advise constituents in any legal matters.

Understanding Stroke Prevention and Early Detection Join Us: Thursday, May 26th 6:00 – 7:00 pm

This webinar will discuss:

- Tips and tricks for stroke prevention
- Spotting acute symptoms and how to quickly respond and BE FAST

Balance

Eves

Face

Arms

B

Speech

NYP Mobile Stroke Treatment Unit



This webinar is free, but registration is required



Matthew Fink, MD Assistant Dean for Clinical Affairs Louis and Gertrude Feil Professor & Chair Department of Neurology Weill Cornell Medicine NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital



Joshua Willey, MD Associate Professor of Neurology and Comprehensive Stroke Center Director Columbia University Medical Center NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital

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Register Here

FRIENDS

Aycock Pavillion Events



60th Street and the East River Esplanade

Free Ice Cream Pops, Live Music and do-it-yourself kids' craft activities on the beautiful 60th St & East River Waterfront!

Saturday, June 4 1 - 4 pm - French Cookin' Blues Band

Saturday, June 11 1 - 4 pm - Gene Casey and the Lone Sharks Band

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