CLEVELAND MUNICIPAL COURT HOUSING DIVISION CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO W. MONÁ SCOTT, JUDGE

CASE NO.____

Telephone:

Plaintiff(s)

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MOTION TO SEAL EVICTION RECORD

□ ORAL HEARING REQUESTED

Telephone:_____

Defendant(s)

- 1. I am a Defendant in this eviction case.
- 2. On _____(date), this Court
 entered an eviction judgment in favor of the landlord or
 entered a judgment in my favor on the eviction claim or
 dismissed the eviction claim.
- 3. I am asking this Court to seal the eviction record because:
 - □ The court dismissed or entered judgment in my favor on the claim for possession; or
 - □ The landlord dismissed the claim for possession before adjudication of that claim; or
 - □ The landlord agreed, in writing, to seal the record (a copy of that agreement is attached); or
 - □ The landlord prevailed on the merits on the claim for possession, and *all* of the following occurred:
 - a. the following extenuating circumstances led to the eviction:
 - b. at least five years have passed since judgment was entered for the landlord; and

c. at least five years have passed since I have had an eviction judgment entered against me in any jurisdiction.

Other:_____

- 4. I have attached an affidavit attesting to the relevant facts. I acknowledge that submitting false or misleading information about any facts in the attached affidavit, or on any other paperwork submitted to the Court, may be perjury.
- 5. I have attached the following documentation to verify grounds stated above:

(Signature)

I *(check one)* ____ hand delivered *(o*r) sent a copy of this motion by regular mail to the ____ plaintiff *(or)* _____ defendant at the address above on ______, 20___.

(Signature)

STATE OF OHIO

AFFIDAVIT

COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA

_____, being first duly sworn, deposes and says as follows:

- 1. I am eighteen years of age or older.
- 2. I was the tenant/defendant in this case.
- 3. I am moving this court to order the eviction record to be sealed.

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- 4. I am moving this court to seal the eviction record because:
 - □ A. The court dismissed or entered judgment in my favor on the claim for possession; or
 - □ B. The landlord dismissed the claim for possession before adjudication of that claim; or
 - □ C. The landlord agreed, in writing, to seal the record, and the Court has not sealed another eviction record for this reason in the last five years; or
 - □ D. The landlord prevailed on the merits on the claim for possession, and *all* of the following occurred:
 - 1. Extenuating circumstances led to the eviction;
 - 2. At least five years have passed since judgment was entered for the landlord; and
 - 3. At least five years have passed since the tenant has had an adverse judgment granting an eviction in any jurisdiction.
 - □ E. Other:_____
- 5. (*Only complete if requesting the record be sealed under Item 4.D, above*) Here are all of the complete addresses at which I have lived for the past 5 years:_____

6. Additional relevant information:

DEFENDANT

SWORN TO, BEFORE ME, and subscribed in my presence this _____ day of _____, 20___.

NOTARY PUBLIC