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City Attorney Klein Announces Agreement to Hold Owners Accountable for Poor Living Conditions at the Ardmore Apartments

Says Owners Agreed to Remediate Code Violations and Bring Property into Compliance to Ensure Safe, Sanitary Housing for Residents

COLUMBUS, OH—Columbus City Attorney Zach Klein announced today that the City of Columbus and Mayfair Apts LP, the owners of the Ardmore Apartments on the City’s east side, have entered into an agreement declaring the property a public nuisance following years of continued code violations for unsafe and unsanitary living conditions.

As part of the agreement, property owners will be required to implement a number of policies and procedures to bring the property into compliance and improve the quality of life for residents. While property owners have worked with the City to remediate emergency orders, nearly 300 outstanding violations must still be addressed.

“If you operate rental housing in Columbus and fail to meet the standard for safe and sanitary living conditions, we will hold you accountable. City residents deserve better than to have absent, derelict landlords,” said City Attorney Zach Klein. **“We will continue to work with property owners to bring the Ardmore Apartments into compliance, but remain ready to step in if living conditions aren’t improved across the board.”**

Court documents outline policies and procedures Mayfair Apts LP must follow, including regular refuse and litter pickup, eliminating illegal dumping on the property, maintaining regular pest control services, and renting out vacant units as soon as practicable.

Additionally, the property owners must employ at least seven full-time maintenance staff to respond to resident concerns and keep up the property.

The court also ordered Mayfair to crack down on individuals engaging in criminal activity on the premises by adding crime-lease addendums for all lease agreements in order to make the property safe and secure for all residents.

Mayfair Apts LP will return to court May 6, 2022 to establish a timeline for the resolution of all outstanding code violations at the Ardmore Apartments.

[The court order is attached.](#)

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