

These Possessions Protected by Lavan vs Los Angeles 9th Circuit Court of Appeals

Property belonging to the homeless cannot be seized unless there is a reasonable belief that it is “abandoned, presents an immediate threat to public health or safety or is evidence of a crime or contraband.”

My property here is NOT abandoned, it is NOT a threat, and it is NOT stolen or illegal. Therefore, there is NO reasonable belief, and you cannot constitutionally remove my belongings. If you take my property, you are acting unconstitutionally, in defiance of the 9th Circuit Court.

Employees/Volunteers/Individuals:

If you move my things, you may be PERSONALLY liable for damages in Federal Court under Section 1983 and/or Bivens.

I have inventoried and photographed all of my possessions. If you throw them away or damage them, I may sue both the agency, and individuals personally, for compensation and personal damages. I have legal papers, family memorabilia, medical documents and other important items in my belongings, many of which are irreplaceable. I also have photographs documenting this notice posted with my belongings at this site.

If you choose to remove my property, even if you think it is legal to do so, you are required to give me an itemized receipt, store it for 30 days, and keep it accessible to me.

Please refuse to harm me.

Are you getting paid enough to move the only home and possessions I have, and risk being personally sued in Federal Court? There is nowhere legal for the homeless to sleep. We are just trying to live. We are not thieves and are not hurting you or anyone else. We want to live in a sanitary and safe way. Please help get a portable toilet and a dumpster so other homeless and I can do so.

If you don't already have a family member or friend who is houseless, you may have one soon. We are people's mothers, fathers, sisters, brothers, sons, daughters and friends. Please treat us the way you would want your family to be treated.

My Name

My Contact Information