6399 **DEFINITIONS**

6399.1 When used in this chapter, the following terms and phrases shall have the meaning ascribed:

Applicant - Any person who has filed a written application of admission to low rent public housing owned or operated by DCHA.

Central Grievance Files - Individual files containing copies of documents relevant to each complaint, including but not limited to the complaint, informal settlement agreement, answer, request for a hearing and notification of hearing, hearing officer's decision, any decision in review, and any judicial pleadings and decisions.

Complainant - Any resident of DCHA owned or operated housing, or any applicant for admission to such housing who files a complaint with DCHA pursuant to this chapter.

Complaint - A request for administrative consideration of any dispute with respect to a DCHA act or failure to set in accordance with the complainant's lease (if a resident) or DCHA rules which adversely affect the rights, duties, welfare, or status of the complainant.

Escrowed - Placed under the exclusive control of the escrow agent or trustees named under the provisions of § 6308 this chapter.

Hearing Officer - A person designated to preside over a hearing in accordance with §§ 6303 and 6304 of this chapter.

Notice to Vacate - A notice to cure or vacate, or a notice to vacate, as defined in § 6099.1 of this chapter, whichever is applicable.

OFH - Office of Fair Hearings.

Resident - A person who leases a dwelling from DCHA as a signatory to a dwelling lease.

Workdays - Days in which the offices in the District of Columbia Housing Authority are regularly open for business.

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