The Florida Supreme Court newly approved landlord-tenant forms are now available to the public on The Florida Bar website, <a href="https://www.floridabar.org/consumerpamphlets">www.floridabar.org/consumerpamphlets</a>. These documents are designed for use in common landlord-tenant matters. The forms are:

- Residential Landlord-Tenant Eviction Forms
- Residential Lease for Single Family Home and Duplex
- · Residential Lease for Apartment or Unit in Multi-Family Rental Housing

The forms are not meant to be a complete summary of Florida's landlord-tenant laws; nor are they intended to provide legal advice.

Last year The Florida Bar filed a petition with the court recommending amendments to several residential lease forms. The Bar's Real Property, Probate and Trust Law Section had proposed the amendments after seeking opinions from Florida Realtors and the Housing Group of Florida Legal Services. As part of the revisions, the 1992 versions of forms having to do with leasing either a condominium or a single family home or duplex were eliminated. Additionally, the RPPTL Section prepared instructions to accompany some of the forms.

Non-lawyers may assist consumers in filling out the forms and may answer general questions, but they cannot give advice as to what to write in the forms or about what decisions consumers should make.

The documents can be downloaded and printed. To view the forms, users need <u>Adobe Acrobat Reader</u>. For additional information, refer to <u>Chapter 83</u> of the Florida Statutes.

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