



New York State Association of REALTORS®, Inc.

## LEGAL ACTION COMMITTEE REPORT

Thursday, January 27, 2022

Virtual Zoom Meeting

Starting time: 11:00am

**Kevin Loiacono**  
**Chair**

**Scott Setaro**  
**Vice Chair**

The Legal Action Committee reviewed the financials and current legal matters supported by NYSAR. .

1. CHIP v NYC et al (rent control/rent regulation)

The matter was recently dismissed by a lower Federal court and was appealed to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Circuit Court of Appeals. NYSAR submitted an *amicus* brief on in 2021 in support of the appeal. The appeal is still pending

NYSAR counsel provided a Legal Department update. Legal hotline volume is still up as compared to pre-COVID volume. The calling trend has shifted from COVID related questions to real estate practice related questions. NYSAR attorneys have returned every call made during this time.

The Legal Department is also offering a free monthly legal update course through Zoom for one hour of CE credit.

Legal Action Committee – Staff Liaison: Anthony Gatto, Esq. [agatto@nysar.com](mailto:agatto@nysar.com).

Committee Description: The Legal Action Committee is a termed committee consisting of 12 individuals appointed by the NYSAR President for a term of three years as well as a Chairperson and Vice Chairperson. The NYSAR Secretary/Treasurer is also a member of the committee. It maintains a watch on legal issues arising throughout the state which could have an effect on the membership and the real estate industry, communicates legal information of importance to the local boards/associations and the membership, and administers the Legal Action Fund for proactive and reactive legal matters.