



*OATH offices are currently closed and OATH will not be holding in-person hearings until the state's "stay-at-home" order has been lifted. OATH is still holding remote hearings, trials, conferences and Help Center sessions.*

#### **For Respondents Who Have Upcoming OATH Hearings:**

OATH is accommodating all requests to reschedule hearings. OATH is not penalizing Respondents for not responding to their summons during this time. If a Respondent does not respond to a summons during this time, they will have their case automatically rescheduled.

If a Respondent would like to respond to their summons, they can do so by mail or online, or by requesting a **Hearing by Phone**. For Hearings by Phone, OATH offers free, over-the-phone language interpretation. To schedule a Hearing by Phone, Respondents should email the OATH office in the borough listed on their summons:

- BRONX: [RemoteBronx@oath.nyc.gov](mailto:RemoteBronx@oath.nyc.gov)
- BROOKLYN: [RemoteBKLYN@oath.nyc.gov](mailto:RemoteBKLYN@oath.nyc.gov)
- MANHATTAN: [RemoteManhattan@oath.nyc.gov](mailto:RemoteManhattan@oath.nyc.gov)
- QUEENS: [RemoteLIC@oath.nyc.gov](mailto:RemoteLIC@oath.nyc.gov)
- STATEN ISLAND: [RemoteSI@oath.nyc.gov](mailto:RemoteSI@oath.nyc.gov)

#### **For Respondents Who Want to Appeal a Hearing Decision:**

The time for a Respondent to file an appeal of an OATH hearing decision issued on or after February 19, 2020, has been temporarily increased to 60 days from the date of the hearing decision, or 65 days if the hearing decision was mailed.

The time for a Respondent to respond to an appeal served by an enforcement agency after February 19, 2020, has also been temporarily increased to 60 days from the date the appeal was served on the Respondent, or 65 days if the appeal was served by mail.

#### **Help for Respondents Who Do Not Have a Lawyer or a Paid, Professional, Registered Representative:**

The OATH Help Center provides Respondents with the opportunity to speak with an OATH Procedural Justice Coordinator who can provide information about the hearing process, describe the options available to them, and answer Respondents' questions. OATH Procedural Justice Coordinators do not provide legal advice or represent Respondents at their hearings.

To request assistance, Respondents can email the Help Center in the borough listed on their summons:

- BRONX: [BXhelpcenter@oath.nyc.gov](mailto:BXhelpcenter@oath.nyc.gov)
- BROOKLYN: [BKhelpcenter@oath.nyc.gov](mailto:BKhelpcenter@oath.nyc.gov)
- MANHATTAN: [Manhelpcenter@oath.nyc.gov](mailto:Manhelpcenter@oath.nyc.gov)
- QUEENS: [LIChelpcenter@oath.nyc.gov](mailto:LIChelpcenter@oath.nyc.gov)
- STATEN ISLAND: [SIhelpcenter@oath.nyc.gov](mailto:SIhelpcenter@oath.nyc.gov)

OATH offers free, over-the-phone language interpretation. All appointments with the OATH Help Center must be conducted prior to the day of the hearing.

*For more information and updates visit OATH online at [nyc.gov/oath](https://nyc.gov/oath)*