

**NOTICE TO PERSONS WHO MAY HAVE SUFFERED HOUSING
DISCRIMINATION**

On July 22, 2011, the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York entered a consent decree relating to The Melar. The United States Department of Justice had alleged that the building lacked certain accessible features for persons with disabilities, as required by the Fair Housing Act, 42 U.S.C. § 3604(f)(3)(c). The Melar denied the allegations and agreed to the consent order to settle the matter without litigation.

A person may be entitled to receive monetary relief if he or she previously:

- WAS DISCOURAGED FROM LIVING AT THE MELAR BECAUSE OF THE LACK OF ACCESSIBLE FEATURES;
- HAS BEEN HURT IN ANY WAY BY THE LACK OF ACCESSIBLE FEATURES AT THE MELAR;
- PAID TO HAVE AN APARTMENT AT THE MELAR MADE MORE ACCESSIBLE TO PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES; OR
- WAS OTHERWISE DISCRIMINATED AGAINST ON THE BASIS OF DISABILITY AT THE MELAR.

If you wish to make a claim for discrimination on the basis of disability, or if you have any information about persons who may have such a claim, please contact the United States Attorney's Office, Southern District of New York at 212-637-2800, and ask for the Civil Rights Unit Chief. You may also fax us at 212-637-2702 or write to:

United States Attorney's Office, Southern District of New York
Attn: Civil Rights Unit
86 Chambers Street
New York, New York 10007

NOTE: The time period for claims extends through December 31, 2013.

* Defendants deny the allegations of the complaint, and entered into the consent decree for settlement purposes only, without admitting any issue of fact or law. Defendants' denial of liability, however, does not preclude any person from receiving monetary relief under the consent order.