**JAIME’S ABCDE NEWSLETTER – 4/20/2020**

1. Huge thank you to Jeremy for coming on zoom today and presenting on wills, trusts, healthcare directives and power of attorney, all a hot topic, given the pandemic. For those of you who would like to follow up with him or to work with him, please copy both of us on an email and send to jcain@boylancode.com and jsedelmeyer@boylancode.com. If this was helpful today and you would like other guests to come on please let me know.
2. We are hearing from all over the state that a Rent strike is inevitable and certainly being pushed to force Governor Cuomo’s hand into dealing with the housing industry further. Please go on to social media and start to use the following hastags #solutionsnotstrike and #stabilizethefoundation #underoneroofny. Here’s an instructional YouTube video for how to create a twitter account: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q8jczAX644M&t=1s>. My Twitter handle is jaimemichelle6. Please also follow underoneroofny.
3. We also went over the Emergency Rent and Mortgage Cancellation Legislation Sponsored by Ilhan Omar (MN-05). The bill is very concerning and highly unlikely to get support from anyone in the real estate industry. This bill proposes to lock in landlords who accept the funding to a period of 5 years where the landlord agrees to:
	1. Rent freeze
	2. Just cause evictions
	3. Mandatory documentation with just cause evictions
	4. Coordination with local housing authorities to make new vacancies eligible to voucher holders
	5. Provision of 10 percent equity to tenants.
	6. The inability to screen applicants using credit history, conviction or arrest record, or immigration status

In addition, for 5 years, private rental property owners seeking to sell their property would have to first notice HUD, who would then have a first right of purchase.

1. I circulated a letter from NY senators, assemblypersons, municipal elected officials, including Adam Bello and Beatrix Lebron (Rochester City School District Commissioner) and 9 Rochester City Council Members to Senator Chuck Schumer and Senator Kirsten Gillibrand urging them to support S8140A. First, the fact that Rochester is so heavily represented is testament of the efforts of the local task force group! Kudos to the efforts and hard work you are putting in. Continue to spread the message so that other areas can get equally as involved. <https://mcusercontent.com/6d592fe9304250eec5c029823/files/27076a84-3322-42cf-9a87-3a3cfb6ebf71/2020.04.14_Federal_funding_letter_All_Members_v2.pdf>. Underoneroof has its meeting with the sponsors of this bill tomorrow and we will report back on progress of discussions.
2. Rochester Housing Authority announced rent relief for participants in RHA or Section 8. Encourage tenants to learn more about submitting a change of income, they may be eligible to have their rent payments reduced by up to 100%. <https://www.rochesterhousing.org/rha-participant-renewal-process>

Hope everyone is well and see you back on **FACEBOOK LIVE** tomorrow at 2 p.m.

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