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Ms. Audrey Madyum  
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East Arkansas Legal Services  
402 Franklin Street  
Helena, AR 72342

Dear Ms. Madyum:

**SUBJECT: Representation of Public Housing Tenants at Grievance Hearings**

We are of the opinion that the regulations concerning Grievances Hearings (24 CFR 966.56(b)(2)) set forth that a tenant has the right to be represented at the hearing by a lawyer or other representative of their choice. This representative could be a paralegal, a member of a local tenant organization, or another tenant.

If we may be of further assistance in this matter, please let me know.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jack T. Stark".

Jack T. Stark  
Associate Regional Counsel