

# BEFORE THE ZONING COMMISSION OR BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA



#### FORM 153 – REQUEST TO ACCEPT AN UNTIMELY FILING OR TO REOPEN THE RECORD

THIS FORM IS FOR NON-PARTIES ONLY. IF YOU ARE A PARTY, PLEASE FILE A FORM 150 - MOTION.

Before completing this form, please review the instructions on the reverse side. Print or type all information unless otherwise indicated. All information must be completely filled out.

CASE NO	19818	
, Shelby	and Adam Telle hereby request the following	relief:
Accept an untimely filing of a request to be made party to case 19818		
☐ To reopen the record to accept		
Points and Authorities:		
Accept an untimely filing: Please state each and every reason you believe the Zoning Commission (ZC) or Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) should grant your request to accept an untimely filing, including relevant references to the Zoning Regulations or Map. If you require more space, please use a separate piece of paper.		
Reopen the Record: Please state each and every reason you believe the ZC or BZA should grant your request to reopen the record, including relevant references to the Zoning Regulations or Map. The document(s) that you are requesting the record to be reopened for must be submitted separately from this form (see instructions). No substantive information is to be included on this form.		
See atta	hed request.	
I/We certify th	the above information is true and correct to the best of my/our knowledge, information and belief. Any person(s) using a fictitious	name or
address and/or knowingly making any false statement on this application/petition is in violation of D.C. Law and subject to a fine of not more than \$1,000 or 180 days imprisonment or both. (D.C. Official Code § 22-2405)		
Date:	9/18/18 Signature: Stulby Telle	
Name:	Shelby and Adam Telle	
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### **Zoning Form 153 Attachment**

Case:

19818

Names:

Shelby and Adam Telle

Relief Requested:

We request to become parties to case 19818.

As the owners of 1265 Penn Street N.E., directly next door to the disputed construction and zoning issues related to 1267 Penn Street N.E. and case 19818, we are directly impacted by the decision of the zoning board to allow construction up to the property line.

#### 5 Foot Side Yard Violations

The current plans violate the required 5 feet of side yard as required by DC Code.

The original home included a wooden, first floor dining room, that was added onto the house as a nonconforming structure, violating the 5-foot setback requirement. Under 11-C DCMR § 201.1, nonconforming structures may not be enlarged upon, expanded or extended. The plans for construction expand the existing nonconforming first floor dining room addition, by including cellar space (that would be ground-level at the back of the structure and abut the 1265 lot) and a terrace, thus extending and increasing the nonconforming aspects of the existing structure, violating 11-C DCMR § 202.2(b).

Further, once torn down, constructions cannot again violate the 5 foot side requirement. This project is not a mere renovation. Aside from the front façade, the entire home has been demolished, including basement, foundation, footers, etc. As such, new construction must comply with existing code requirements, meaning violating the 5 foot side yard is not permitted.

## Existing Property Damage from Negligent Construction

Further, we request party status because we have already suffered property damage as a result of the construction at 1267 Penn Street N.E. On the morning of Sept. 9, 2018, our side yard collapsed into the neighboring construction site as a result of the negligent digging done at 1267 Penn Street N.E., causing the land to slide. To date, our yard remains inaccessible and sunken, depriving us of use. The effects of any construction or zoning decisions directly impact our ability to have our own yard repaired and regain use of our own property at 1265 Penn Street N.E.

#### **Prior Notice**

Case 19818 will go before the Zoning Board on Sept. 26, 2018. The issues discussed above have been addressed to the owners of 1267 Penn Street N.E. since April 9, 2018. 1267 Penn Street N.E. will not be harmed by adding us as a party to the existing zoning dispute.

We just learned of the pending case before the zoning board and request to join as a party given our status as next door neighbors, in a home specifically purchased for side yard, which has already been damaged by 1267 Penn Street N.E.

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