Adalah's Litigation Docket

Cases pending as of August 2011

I. Land and Planning Rights

Supreme Court

- Demanding the cancellation of an Israel Land Administration (ILA) policy permitting the marketing and allocation of **Jewish National Fund** (JNF)-controlled lands by the ILA through bids open only to Jewish Individuals *HCJ 9205/04, Adalah v. Israel Land Administration, et al.*
- Challenging the ILA's policy and use of **admissions committees** in allocating land for housing in approximately 700 community towns, excluding Arab citizens, *Mizrahim* (Eastern Jews), single parents and gay individuals *HCJ 8036/07, Fatina Ebriq Zubeidat, et al. v. The Israel Land Administration, et al.*
- Demanding the **cancellation of new "Admission Committee Law"** which legitimizes "admission committees" and the use of "social suitability" criterion to determine whether to accept or reject individuals who wish to live in these towns. *HCJ 2504/11, Adalah, et al v. The Knesset, et al.*
- Motion for permission to appeal to the Supreme Court against the decision of the Beer Sheva (Beer el-Seba) District Court to **evict Arab Bedouin from their homes in the unrecognized villages of Umm el-Hieran and Atir,** with the knowledge that the state authorities intend to build a new Jewish town named "Hiran" on the same land. *Motion for Perm. to Appeal 3094/11, Ibrahim Farhood Abu al-Qi'an et al. v. The State of Israel*

District and Magistrates' Courts

Seeking the cancellation of **evacuation lawsuits** against about 1,000 Arab Bedouin citizens of Israel living in Atir-Umm el-Hieran in the Naqab and demanding recognition for the unrecognized village

Beer el-Sabe Magistrates' Court, Civil File 1769/08, The State of Israel and the Israel Land Administration v. Ibrahim Farhood Abu el-Qian, et al. (+ legal representation on 26 additional civil files) (see Motion for Permission to Appeal 3094/11 above)

Motions to cancel *ex parte* demolition orders against 33 homes in the unrecognized Arab Bedouin village of Umm el-Hieran in the Naqab

Beer el-Sabe Magistrates' Court, Different Motions 8477/06, Abu el-Qian Ali, et al. v. The State of Israel

- 45 urgent motions to cancel *ex parte demolition orders* issued against almost all homes in the unrecognized Arab Bedouin village of Al-Sura in the Naqab *Beer el-Sabe Magistrates' Court, Different Motions 9364/06, Suleiman Nasasra and Adalah v. The State of Israel*
- Representing Arab Bedouin family in an **appeal by Moshav Nevatim** against a District Court decision upholding the right of a Jewish Israeli family to rent their home to them, despite the moshav's racist objections

Beer el-Sabe District Court, Civil File 5018/08, Moshav Nevatim et. al. v. Zakai Wazman et. al.

Planning Committees

- Seeking cancellation of **master plan for Metropolitan Beer el-Sabe** (Beer Sheva) and recognition for Arab Bedouin village of Umm el-Hieran *Objection filed in 10/07 by Adalah and Bimkom*
- Objection submitted to the detailed regional plan for **K'far Vradim, a Jewish village in the Galilee near the Arab village of Tarshiha**. *Objection filed in 10/10 by Adalah and Arab Center for Alternative Planning*
- Objection submitted **against the building of a new Jewish town to be called "Hiran"** on the land on which Atir-Umm al-Hieran is located (the Nahal Yatir area). *Objection filed by Adalah, Bimkom and the Arab Bedouin residents of Umm al-Hieran in 1/11 to the National Council for Planning and Building (NCPB).*

II. Civil and Political Rights

Supreme Court

- Seeking to overturn the new amendment to the **Citizenship Law** banning family unification in Israel between Palestinian citizens of Israel and Palestinian residents of the OPT and/or "enemy states" defined by law as Syria, Lebanon, Iran and Iraq *HCJ 830/07, Adalah v. The Minister of the Interior, et al.*
- Petition submitted with the Association for Civil Rights in Israel (ACRI) and MK Haneen Zoabi to cancel the Knesset's decision to revoke certain **parliamentary privileges of MK Zoabi** for her participation in the Gaza Freedom Flotilla in May 2010. *HCJ 8148/10, Zoabi v. The Knesset*
- Petition submitted with ACRI to declare **the "Nakba Law" unconstitutional** as it violates the rights of freedom of speech and equality, and severely infringes on Arab citizens' rights to preserve their history and culture *HCJ 3429/11, The Alumni Association of the Arab Orthodox School in Haifa et al. v. The Minister of Finance, et al.*
- Representing MK Ahmad Tibi on a petition to the Supreme Court against the Knesset's decision to **disqualify a legislative bill prohibiting Nakba denial** *HCJ 5478/11, MK Ahmad Tibi v. The Speaker of the Knesset, MK Reuven Rivlin*

Magistrate Courts

- Representing **Arab MK Mohammed Barakeh** on a criminal indictment charging him with four alleged offences of assaulting or insulting police officers resulting from his participation in anti-Wall and anti-War demonstrations between 2005 and 2007 *Tel Aviv Magistrate Court, Criminal File* 12318-12/09, *State of Israel v. Mohammed Barakeh*
- Submitting a tort lawsuit on behalf of Prof. Nadera Shalhoub-Kevorkian against the Israel Airports Authority for <u>humiliating and demeaning treatment at Ben Gurion Airport</u>. *Tel Aviv Magistrate Court, Civil Case 6783-11/09, Nadera Shalhoub-Kevorkian v. Airports Authority*

Representing **residents of Al-Araqib** and human rights activists on 10 criminal indictments related to protest activities concerning the repeated demolition of the village of Al-Araqib in the Naqab, including:

Beer el-Sabe Magistrate Court, Criminal File: 12879-08/10, *State of Israel v. Sayyah al-Touri* (+ 9 additional criminal files)

III. Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

Supreme Court

Seeking implementation of landmark Supreme Court decision **requiring the use of Arabic on signs in the mixed cities**

HCJ 4112/99, Adalah, et al. v. The Municipalities of Tel Aviv-Jaffa, et al. (motion for contempt filed against Natseret Illit Municipality in 2011)

Demanding the annulment of law that renders unemployed car owners and users ineligible for **income support payments**

HCJ 10662/04, Salah Hassan, et al. v. The National Insurance Institute, et al.

Challenging a discriminatory law excluding Arab Bedouin towns in the Naqab from **income tax benefits**

HCJ 6901/05, Mayor of Rahat Municipality, et al. v. Minister of Finance, et al.

- Seeking the inclusion of the Arab village of Aramshe on the list of communities eligible for lucrative **egg production and marketing subsidies** *HCJ 3815/08, Eyad el-Mugheys, et al. v. The Minister of Agriculture*
- Seeking the opening of the **first high school in the unrecognized villages** in the Naqab for 750 Arab Bedouin students

HCJ 7562/09, Fatmeh Abu Sbeli, et al. v. Ministry of Education, et al. (petition and motion for contempt of 2007 state commitment to open the school)

Demanding that the Ministry of Health re-open **"mother and child" clinics** which serve around 18,000 people in three Arab Bedouin unrecognized villages of Qasr el-Ser, Abu Tulul and Wadi el-Niam in the Naqab HCL 10054/09 Wadad El-Hawashly at al. y. Ministry of Health (two clinics re-opened

HCJ 10054/09, Wadad El-Hawashly, et al. v. Ministry of Health (two clinics re-opened partially)

Demanding the annulment of amendment No. 113 to the National Insurance Law, which states that if a child does not receive vaccinations mandated by the Health Ministry, his/her state-funded **child allowance payments** will be decreased by 60 percent. *HCJ 7245/10, Adalah v. Minister of Welfare and Social Affairs*

Labor Courts

Demanding the amendment of the **pension insurance agreement** to extend its application to all workers over the age of 18

Collective Agreement 52/09, Adalah and ADVA v. The Histadrut National Federation of Labor Unions, et al.

IV. Prisoners' and Detainees' Rights

Supreme Court

Demanding the **cancellation of a sweeping exemption** in law granted to the Israeli police and the General Security Services (GSS) from the duty to make audio and video recordings of their interrogations of individuals suspected of security offenses. HCJ 9416/10, Adalah v. Ministry of Public Security

V. Occupied Palestinian Territory (OPT)

Supreme Court

Challenging the revocation of Jerusalem residency status of Palestinian parliamentarians elected on the Change and Reform List to the Palestinian Legislative Council (PLC) in 2006 (Adalah and ACRI as amicus curiae) HCJ 7803/06, Khalid Abu Arafeh, et al. v. Minister of Interior

Human rights organizations demand criminal investigations into Israeli military commanders and government officials responsible for killings and extensive home demolitions in Rafah, Gaza in 2004

HCJ 3292/07, Adalah et al. v. The Attorney General, et al.

Motion submitted to the Supreme Court in 1/11 asking for status as amicus curiae to join several petitions challenging the application of the Absentees' Property Law in East Ierusalem

Civil Appeal 2250/06, On the Issue of the Custodian for Absentee Property and the State of Israel v. Dkkak Noha et al.

Planning Committees

Objection to the Eastern Ring Road Plan for Jerusalem, designed to create a segregated road system and to encircle Palestinian neighborhoods in East Jerusalem, in violation of international and Israeli law

The objection was filed on behalf of Palestinian NGOs and four municipalities in cooperation with the Civic Coalition in 3/08.

Objection to the Jerusalem Regional Master Plan that will further restrict development of Palestinian neighborhoods, entrench the settlements and alter the city's demographic composition

Objection filed to the National Council for Planning and Building in 11/08 in cooperation with the Civic Coalition