

Tenant-Landlord director retires to pursue her ministry dream

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Charlotte Haley Mizzi will soon try to settle disputes involving a higher authority.

For more than 26 years she was caught in the middle of often nasty landlord-tenant disputes in Jersey City.

But now she has retired as director of the Division of Tenant-Landlord Relations to follow her dream of becoming a minister.

It fits me perfectly. I feel closer to God now than I've ever felt," said Haley Mizzi.

She has been studying for the past 18 months to become a minister in the Church Universal and Triumphant, a nationwide interdenominational church with some 1,200 members in this area. She is also on its board of trustees. Haley Mizzi joined Jersey City government in 1973 when rent control was implemented under Mayor Paul Jordan.

She served as chairwoman of the Rent Leveling Association of New Jersey from 1986 to 1992. In November 1992 she was acting chief of staff for Mayor Bret Schundler, then served as public works director for one year. She was co-chairwoman of Schundler's 1993 campaign, and in 1995 she ran for Hudson County executive in the Democratic primary.

The human element is the first and most important part of having served the public," she said. Many times my intervention saved people from having a very bad relationship. Polarizing one against the other does not work to anyone's advantage."

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