

Housing 80 individuals - The District Court rejects the appeal of the eviction of 4 families from their homes in Silwan

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The District Court rejected the appeal of 4 Jerusalemite families against the decisions to evict them from their homes in the Batn al-Hawa neighborhood in the town of Silwan, south of Al-Aqsa Mosque.

The Wadi Hilweh Information Center - Jerusalem and the Batn al-Hawa Neighborhood Committee explained in a joint statement that the District Court rejected the appeal submitted by the "Al-Rajabi, Ghaith, and Abu Nab" families, against the decisions to evict them from their homes, in favor of the settlers, under the pretext of "ownership of the land by the Jews of Yemen."

The center and the committee added in their statement that the District Court held sessions over the past two days to consider the appeal submitted by families against the eviction decisions issued by the Magistrate Court over the past years. Sessions were held this week in court, and decisions rejecting the appeal were issued.

The center and the committee explained that the court gave the families 90 days to object to the eviction decisions in the Supreme Court.

The center and the committee added in their statement that eviction decisions were issued against the families of "Salem Abdel Ghani Ghaith, Jawad Abu Nab, Abdel Fattah Al Rajabi, and Nasser Awad Al Rajabi," that have 9 apartments, housing more than 80 individuals, including the elderly and patients with special needs, and children.

They added in their statement that the Ateret Cohanim Association claims that 5200 square meters of land in the Batn al-Hawa neighborhood belong to Jews from Yemen since 1881. Since 2015, the association has begun handing families in the Batn al-Hawa neighborhood judicial notices and notices to evict them from their homes.

Zuhair Al-Rajabi, head of the Batn al-Hawa Neighborhood Committee, explained that 87 families, comprising between 600-680 people, are threatened with eviction in the Batn al-

Hawa neighborhood, and are facing judicial decisions and notifications in the “magistrate, District, and Supreme” courts.

Early last June, the Supreme Court rejected the Shehadeh family's appeal to evict them from their homes in the neighborhood. It is noteworthy that 32 members of the Shehadeh family live in 3 apartments.