RTCNYC Tool 6.5.2
Sample Petition

Here is a template for petitions that you can use. Petitions are great for showing the broad support behind your campaign, and they serve as an opportunity to engage folks in conversation about what a right to counsel means. You should customize this to include any other information you might want to collect, such as contact information, if needed. We also have the text in Spanish!

Right to Counsel Petition

To Mayor/Speaker [Insert Name]/ Al alcalde/Presidente del Concejo Municipal [insertar nombre]:

We at [Organization name] live in [name of city or state]. More than [X number of] families have been evicted from [location]in the last [x number of] years alone. Close to [x%] of everyone evicted goes into the shelter system. The housing Crisis IS AN EVICTION CRISIS. We support the legislation to make representation a right for tenants in housing court. You should too.

Somos miembros de [nombre de oorganización] y vivimos en[nombre de ciudad o estado]. En los últimos [x numero de] años, más de [x numero de] familias han sido desalojadas en [nombre de ciudad o estado]. Casi [x%] de ellos van al shelter. La crisis de vivienda asequible es una crisis de desalojamiento. Apoyamos la legislación que le da el derecho a los inquilinos a tener un abogado en la corte de vivienda. Usted la debe apoyar también.

[Date/Fecha]

Name/Nombre	Signature/Firma