



Key Milestones

Coalition on Homelessness v. City and County of San Francisco

9/27/2022: Lawsuit and preliminary injunction filed in U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California (“Court”).

12/23/2022: Court grants the preliminary injunction in plaintiffs’ favor, barring San Francisco from citing and arresting people if they have no option of realistically accessing shelter or housing under the Eighth Amendment and requiring San Francisco to follow its policy for handling unhoused people’s property under the Fourth Amendment.

2/23/2023: San Francisco asks the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals to vacate the preliminary injunction.

8/23/2023: Three-judge panel of the Ninth Circuit hears argument on city’s appeal of the preliminary injunction and motion to modify the preliminary injunction while the appeal is pending.

1/11/24: Ninth Circuit affirms the court’s preliminary injunction in favor of plaintiffs.

1/12/24: U.S. Supreme Court agrees to hear *Grants Pass v. Johnson*, which found that criminalizing homelessness violated the Eighth Amendment prohibition on cruel and unusual punishment.

6/28/24: Supreme Court overturns *Grants Pass v. Johnson*.

7/8/24: Given the *Grants Pass* ruling, the Ninth Circuit vacates the portion of the preliminary injunction based on prior Eighth Amendment precedent and affirms the portion based on the Fourth Amendment.

8/5/24: Court grants plaintiffs’ August 2023 motion to enforce the preliminary injunction against San Francisco and orders the city to create and document training for employees handling unhoused individuals’ property.

6/12/25: Court denies San Francisco’s motion for summary judgment.

9/9/25: San Francisco Board of Supervisors votes to approve settlement on first reading. Second and final vote scheduled for 9/16/25.