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Black Women Lawyers Meeting
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HOUSING RIGHTS CENTER

WORKING FOR JUSTICE AND EQUALITY IN HOUSING

- Nation's largest non-profit civil rights organization dedicated to securing and promoting fair housing
- HRC was founded in 1968, the same year Congress passed the Fair Housing Act
- Over the past ten years, HRC has assisted more than 250,000 residents throughout Los Angeles and Ventura Counties
- Languages: English, Spanish, Korean, Mandarin, Cantonese, Cambodian, Vietnamese, Armenian, Russian and American Sign Language (ASL)

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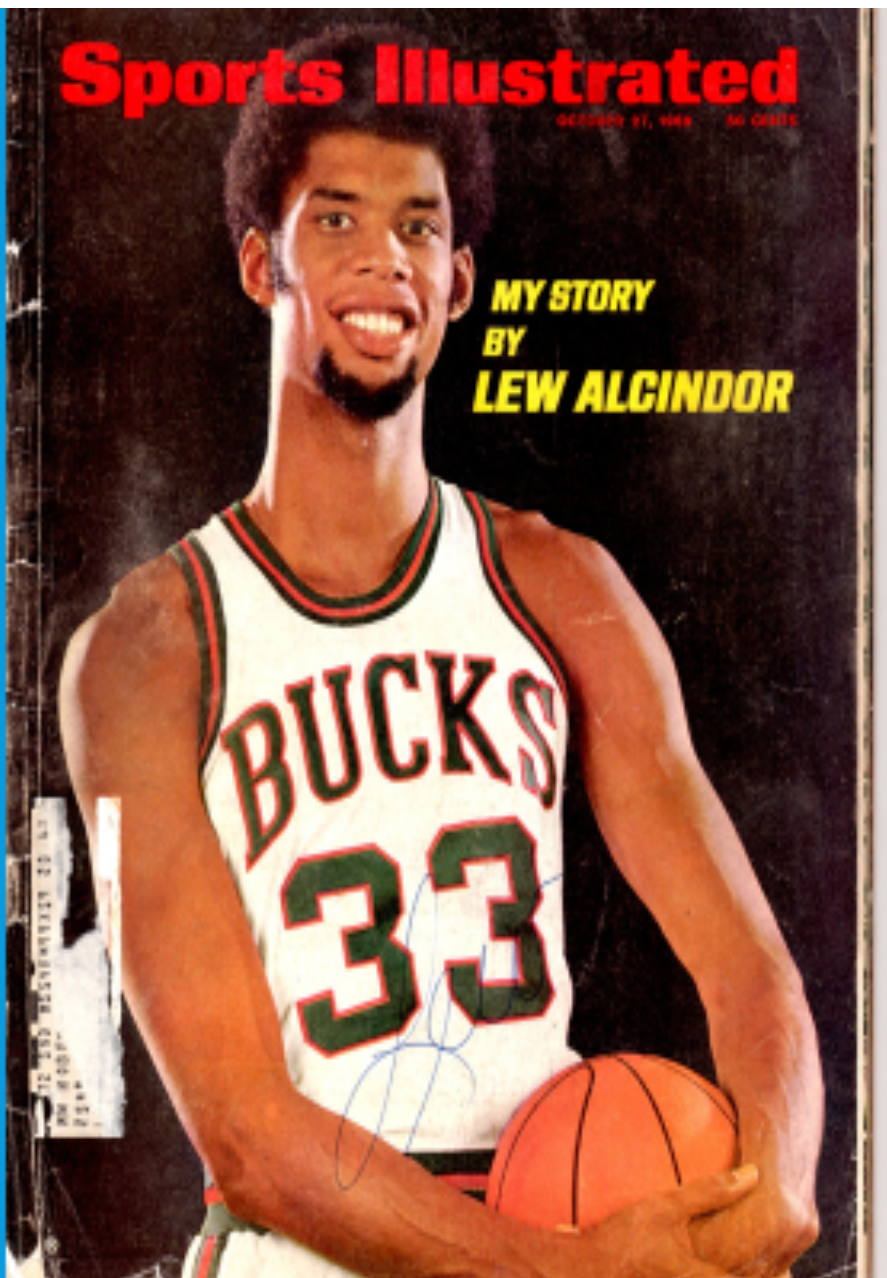
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**MY STORY
BY
LEW ALCINDOR**

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RACIAL BIAS CHARGED BY HOUSING COUNCIL

Lew Alcindor Denied Apartment, Suit Says

Professional basketball star Lew Alcindor was refused the lease of a \$200-a-month Milvia apartment because he is black, it was alleged Tuesday in Santa Monica Superior Court.

The legal action, sponsored by the Westside Fair Housing Council, cited the so-called Unruh Civil Rights Act section of the state's civil code which prohibits racial discrimination in doing business.

Attorney Roger Diamond obtained an order from Santa Monica Superior Judge Lawrence J. Elmendorf restraining Mr. and Mrs. William Furey, west-coastagers, from leasing the two-bedroom apartment at 1802 Chestnut Drive in oceanfront area pending a May 1 hearing.

That hearing will be to show cause why the restraining order should not be made permanent and the apartment leased to Alcindor.

Alcindor, whose Milwaukee Bucks team was eliminated from the National Basketball Assn. playoffs Monday night, was not present at a Tuesday press conference at the Westside Open Housing Center.

But Diamond was there with Mrs. Blanche Furey, coxter director, who brought the council into action after Sam O'Beir, a white man act-

ing as Alcindor's personal representative, reported the Fureys declined to lease the apartment through him to Alcindor April 23.

Fair Housing Council volunteers, who said they had searched the apartment centers and were told that Furey's again refused to grant the lease when they phoned O'Beir.

The Fureys said they would not comment.

Under the state provisions, Alcindor can ask only \$250 damages for not being allowed to lease the apartment, but Diamond noted Tuesday that "the main thing is to secure for Lew the place he wants in Br. It's not the money."

The former UCLA All-American reportedly received a \$1.5 million, multiyear contract to play with Milwaukee.

Altadena Army Man Dies in Vietnam War

An Altadena soldier has been killed in action in Vietnam, the Defense Department announced Tuesday. He was:

Army Spec. 4 Class D. Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew P. Miller, 1945 Mendocino Road.

WESTSIDE FAIR HOUSING COUNCIL

Guess who's ~~comin'~~ **CAME**
to (our) Dinner?

"ALL IN THE  "ROOM 222"
* GUEST HOSTS *

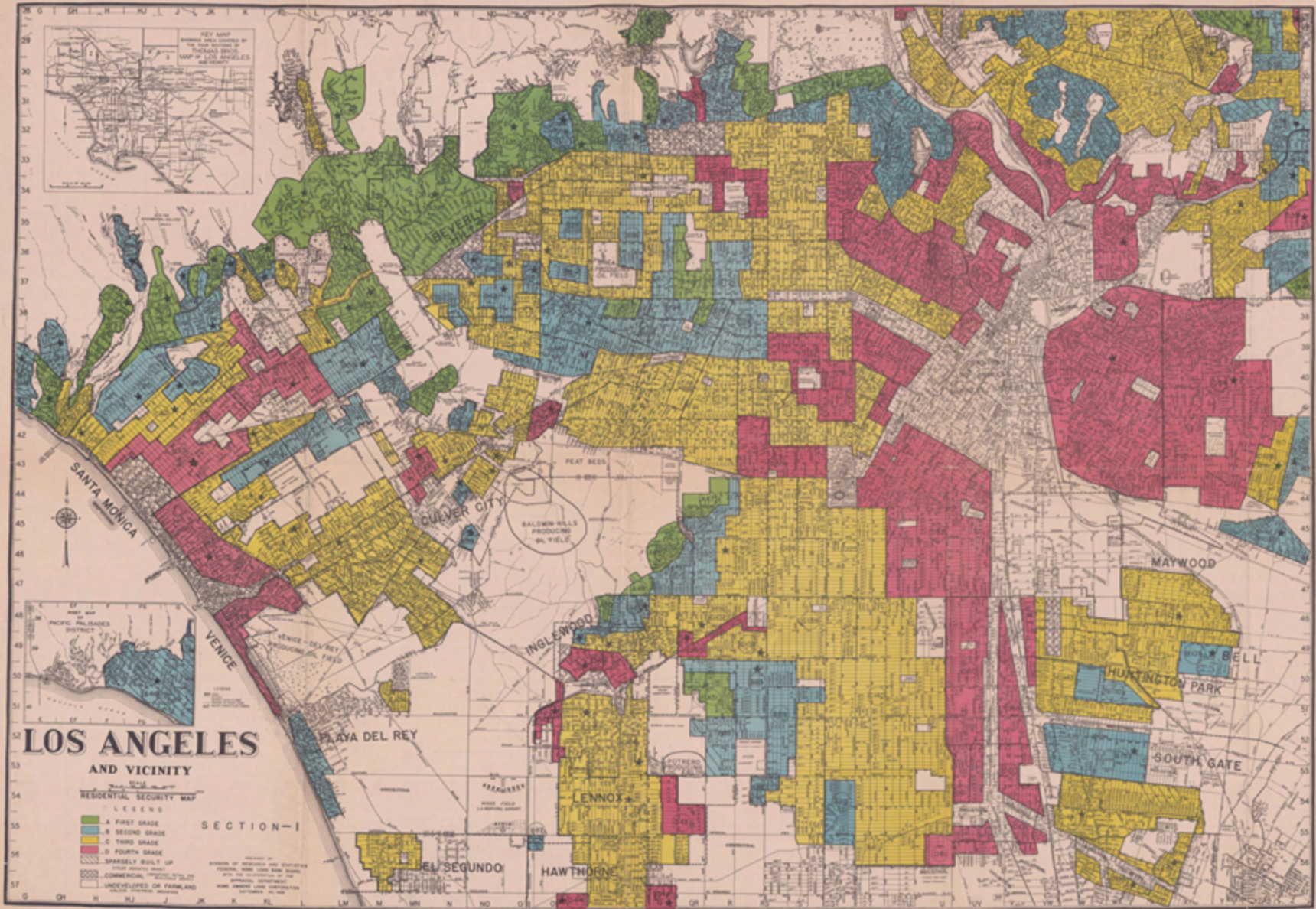
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- * LIZ - Denise Nicholas
- * MIKE - Rob Reiner
- * MR. KAUFMAN - Michael Constantine
- * GLORIA - Sally Struthers
- * JASON - Heshimu
- * LIONEL - Michael Evans
- * PAM - Tatanisha
- * ARCHIE - Carroll O'Connor (if he can make it) **He did!**

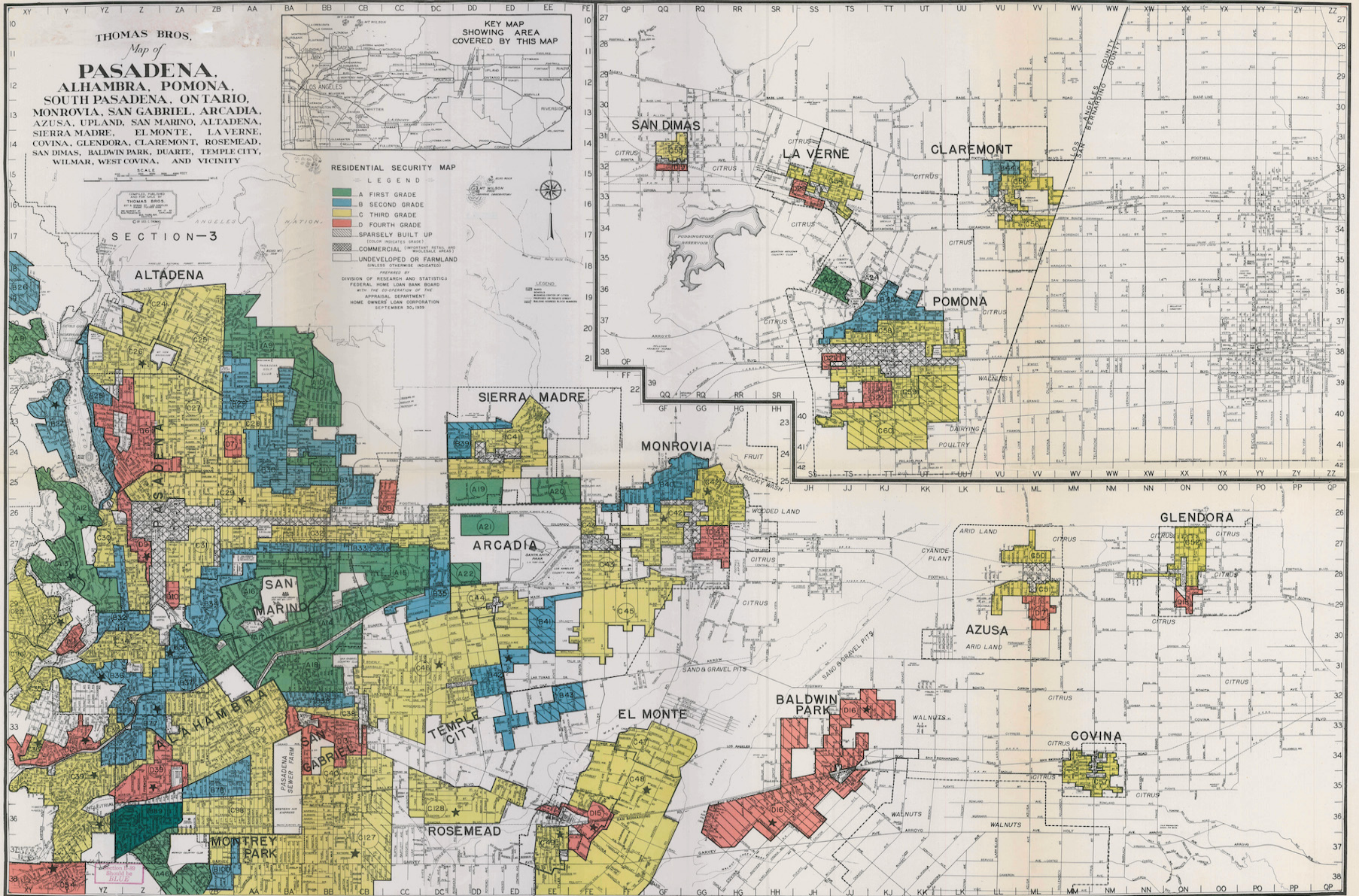
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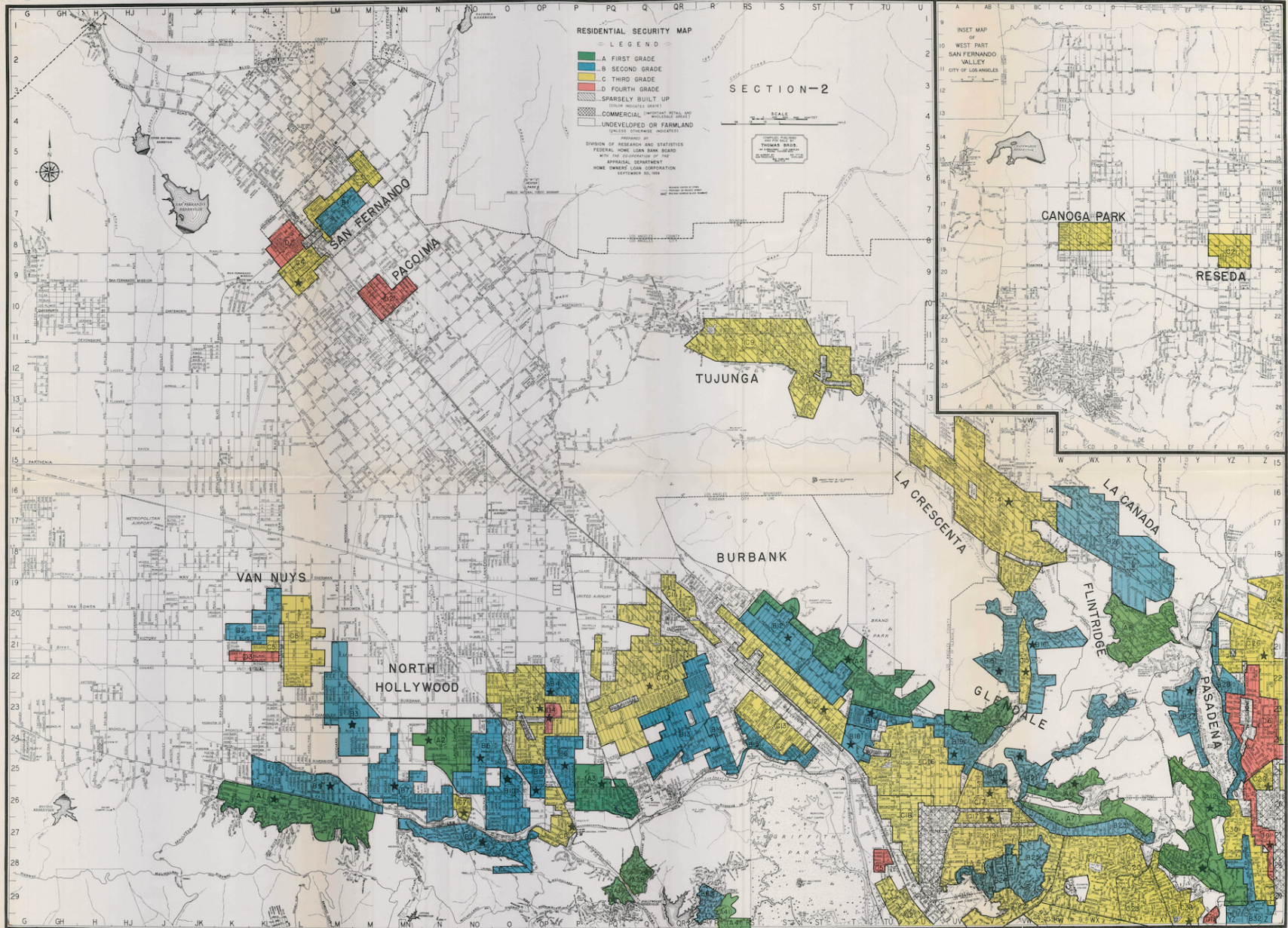
(BETWEEN SUNSET AND SANTA MONICA BLVD) 804 N. LINDEN DR, BEVERLY HILLS

DATE - SAT, DEC 4th TIME - 7 P.M. (cocktails no host bar)

TAB - a measly: \$ 3.50 per couple (potluck dinner see tear sheet)
\$ 2.00 single







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HELP STOP DISPLACEMENT PRO BONO OPPORTUNITY

- The Housing Rights Center is seeking **volunteer attorneys** to assist in preventing further displacement of tenants in Los Angeles County by working on Unlawful Detainer/Eviction cases in the Pasadena and West Covina Courthouse.
- With the assistance of the Housing Rights Center's staff attorneys, attorneys will be given the opportunity to represent tenants facing eviction.
- Attorneys can assist with representing a tenant from the inception of the case.
- Attorneys can limit their assistance to discovery preparation, motion writing, create pleadings, or appear for motions and arguments in court.
- Attorneys will work on pro bono basis and at no cost to HRC or the tenant.
- Attorneys will be required to take on a minimum number of assignments.
- HRC staff will provide attorneys training before working on any case.
- Attorneys must have reliable internet and phone access.
- **For more information, contact Javier Beltran at jbeltran@housingrightscenter.org or (800) 477-5977 ext. 1140.**



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