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Power Mapping Illustration for the Connecticut Old Guard
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Scenario:

Emmanuel Ku, former owner of 150 units across 25 buildings in Hartford's North End, collected about $1 million a year in HUD subsidies and tax breaks from 2011–2018 while tenants lived with vermin infestations, mold, no heat or hot water, broken windows, and other unsafe conditions.

CLJ organized tenants and launched the "No More Slumlord" campaign.
Our goal was to pressure HUD to terminate Ku's subsidy contract so that all 150 households would be relocated to decent, safe, and sanitary housing.

Your task:
Below are 7 individuals or groups we first approached for support in this campaign.

1. Use the power mapping tool to place each actor on the power grid, based on:
   - How much power/influence they had over our campaign outcome
   - How supportive or opposed they were to our campaign
2. On the grid, write in each actor's name or number where you think they belong.

Actors:

1. City of Hartford Housing Inspectors
2. Clay Arsenal Tenants
3. Faith Life Church of the Resurrection
4. Hartford Fire Department
5. Hartford Legal Aid
6. Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
7. Mayor of Hartford (Luke Bronin)

The power mapping tool allows us to map each actor by

- how much power they have over the outcome and
- how strongly they support or oppose our campaign.