

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

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## DECISION

Dispute Codes

OPR, MNR, MNSD, FF

Introduction

This hearing proceeded by way of Direct Request Proceeding, pursuant to section 55(4) of the Act, and dealt with an Application for Dispute Resolution by the landlord for an Order of Possession and a monetary order.

The landlord submitted a signed Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding which declares that on October 22, 2009 the landlord served the tenant with the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding by registered mail sent to the tenants rental unit address. The landlord supplied a copy of a Canada Post receipt as evidence of service. Pursuant to section 90(a) of the Residential Tenancy Act I deem the tenant to have been served on the fifth day after mailing.

Based on the written submissions of the Landlord, I find the tenant has been duly served with the Dispute Resolution Direct Request Proceeding documents.

#### Issue(s) to be Decided

The issues to be decided are whether the landlord is entitled to an Order of Possession for unpaid rent; to a monetary Order for unpaid rent, to retain the deposit and filing fee from the tenant for the cost of the Application for Dispute Resolution, pursuant to sections 38, 55, 67, and 72 of the *Residential Tenancy Act (Act)*. I have reviewed all documentary evidence.

## Proof of Service of 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy

The landlord submitted a copy of the Application for Dispute Resolution which provided that the Notice to End Tenancy was served by posting the Notice to the door on October 7, 2009. The Application indicated that a Proof of Service Notice was attached; however, the landlord did not submit further details of service such as who served this Notice, at what time, where it was posted and who may have witnessed the service.



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The purpose of serving documents under the *Act* is to notify the person being served of their breach and notification of their rights under the *Act* in response. The landlord is seeking to end the tenancy due to this breach; however, the landlord has the burden of proving that the tenant was served with the 10 day Notice to End Tenancy.

#### <u>Analysis</u>

In the absence of evidence of proof of service of the Notice to End Tenancy I find that the landlord has failed to establish that the tenant was served with the 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy.

### **Conclusion**

Having found that the landlord has failed to prove service of the 10 day Notice to End Tenancy, I order that the direct request proceeding be reconvened in accordance with section 74 of the Act. Based on the foregoing, I find that a conference call hearing is required in order to determine the details of service of the 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy. Notices of Reconvened Hearing are enclosed with this decision for the applicant to serve, with all other required documents, upon the tenant within three (3) days of receiving this decision in accordance with section 88 of the Act.

This decision is made on authority delegated to me by the Director of the Residential Tenancy Branch under Section 9.1(1) of the *Residential Tenancy Act*.

Dated: November 03, 2009.

**Dispute Resolution Officer**