DECISION

Dispute Codes: MNSD and FF

Introduction

This application was brought by the tenant seeking return of her security deposit in

double on the allegation that the landlord failed to return it or make application to claim

against it as required by section 38(1) of the Act.

At the commencement of the hearing, the landlord raised a question as to whether this

living accommodation was a tenancy within the jurisdiction of the Residential Tenancy

Act. The landlord gave uncontested evidence that he owns and lives in the rental unit

and shared kitchen and bathroom facilities with the tenant.

Section 4 of the Act sets out classes of living accommodations not covered by the Act

and includes at subsection (c) those, "...in which the tenant shares bathroom or kitchen

facilities with the owner of that accommodation."

Therefore, I find that this matter is excluded from the Act and the application is

dismissed without leave to reapply for want of jurisdiction.

January 15, 2010.