

## **Dispute Resolution Services**

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Residential Tenancy Branch Ministry of Housing and Social Development

## DECISION

Dispute Codes:

MNR, FF

Introduction

This hearing was scheduled in response to the landlord's Application for Dispute Resolution, in which the landlord has made application for a monetary Order for unpaid rent and to recover the filing fee from the tenant for the cost of this Application for Dispute Resolution.

The landlord provided affirmed testimony that she attempted to personally serve the tenant at his place of employment but that he avoided service by refusing to exit the building. The landlord then sent copies of the Application for Dispute Resolution and Notice of Hearing to the tenant's place of employment via registered mail at the address noted on the Application; that mail was returned.

Section 89(1) of the Act, provides:

- **89** (1) An application for dispute resolution or a decision of the director to proceed with a review under Division 2 of Part 5, when required to be given to one party by another, must be given in one of the following ways:
  - (a) by leaving a copy with the person;

(b) if the person is a landlord, by leaving a copy with an agent of the landlord;

(c) by sending a copy by registered mail to the address at which the person resides or, if the person is a landlord, to the address at which the person carries on business as a landlord;

(d) if the person is a tenant, by sending a copy by registered mail to a forwarding address provided by the tenant;

(e) as ordered by the director under section 71 (1) [director's orders: delivery and service of documents].

As the tenant has not been personally served and the registered mail was not sent to the address where the tenant resides I find that he has not been served with Notice of this hearing. Therefore, the landlord's Application is dismissed with leave to reapply.

## **Conclusion**

As the tenant has not been served with Notice of this hearing the Application is dismissed with leave to reapply.

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, 2010.

**Dispute Resolution Officer**