

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

<u>Dispute Codes</u> OPR, OPB, MNR, MNSD, FF

Introduction

This conference call hearing was convened in response to the landlord's application for an Order of Possession for unpaid rent and breach of the tenancy agreement; a Monetary Order for unpaid rent; to keep the security deposit; and to recover the filing fee associated with this application.

The landlord participated in the hearing and provided affirmed testimony. He testified that he served the Notice of a Dispute Resolution Hearing by posting the notice on the tenant's door.

Section 89(1) of the Residential Tenancy Act states:

"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;

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(e) As ordered by the director under section 71(1) [director's orders: delivery and

service of documents].

The landlord's method of delivery does not fall within any of the methods allowed by

statute. By posting the notice on the door does not satisfy me that the tenant received

the notice and that he had knowledge of the date of this hearing.

Conclusion

I find that the tenant was not served with the hearing documents and therefore had no

notice of the claim made against him. The landlord's 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: August 26, 2011.

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