

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes MNDC, FF, O

<u>Introduction</u>

This matter dealt with an application by the Tenant for loss or damage under the Act, regulations or tenancy agreement, to recover the filing fee for this proceeding and for other considerations.

The Applicant said she served the Respondent with the Application and Notice of Hearing (the "hearing package") by registered mail on March 30, 2012. Based on the evidence of the Applicant, I find that the Respondent was served with the Applicant's hearing package as required by s. 89 of the Act and the hearing proceeded with both parties in attendance.

At the start of the conference call it was determined that the Applicant was not a tenant, but an occupant of the rental unit, because the applicant had been crossed off the tenancy agreement dated July 1, 2010 and the applicant did not sign the tenancy agreement. Consequently there is no tenancy contract between the Applicant and the Landlord; therefore I do not have jurisdiction to make a finding in this matter. The applicant may want to seek legal advice to determine how to proceed with her claims.

In the absence of evidence to show there is a tenancy between the Applicant and Respondent the Residential Tenancy Branch does not have jurisdiction in this situation. I dismiss the application as I find no authority to decide this matter under the *Residential Tenancy Act*.

Conclusion

The application is dismissed for lack of jurisdiction

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*.

Residential Tenancy Branch