

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

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This hearing dealt with an application by the landlord for a monetary order and an order to retain the security deposit in partial satisfaction of the claim.

The tenant did not attend the teleconference hearing. The landlord stated that he served the tenant with the application for dispute resolution and notice of hearing by putting it through the mail slot in the tenant's door on October 16, 2012.

Section 89 of the *Residential Tenancy Act* sets out the acceptable methods for serving an application for dispute resolution. Placing the application through the mail slot is not an acceptable method of service for an application for dispute resolution. I cannot find that the tenant is deemed served with the application.

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: January 21, 2013

Residential Tenancy Branch