

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding Priya Holdings Ltd. and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

#### **INTERIM DECISION**

## **Dispute Codes:**

MNDC; RPP

#### **Introduction**

This is the Tenant's application for compensation for damage or loss under the Act, Regulation or tenancy agreement; and an Order that the Landlord comply with the Act and return the Tenant's personal property.

The parties gave affirmed testimony at the Hearing.

It was determined that the Notice of Hearing documents and copies of the Tenant's Notice of Hearing documents were provided to the Landlord by registered mail.

#### **Preliminary Matter**

The Landlord provided late documentary evidence to the Residential Tenancy Branch. The Landlord's agent stated that he provided the evidence to the Tenant at his address for service. The Tenant stated that he has been "couch surfing" and that he has not seen the Landlord's documentary evidence yet.

The parties agreed to adjourn the matter to allow the Tenant to read the Landlord's documentary evidence. The Tenant was cautioned that it is his responsibility to advise the Residential Tenancy Branch and the Landlord if his address for service changes from the address he gave on his Application for Dispute Resolution.

The Landlord's agent stated that the Landlord has filed his own Application for Dispute Resolution for damages and unpaid rent. He stated that the Tenant was served with a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent. The Landlord's Application is scheduled to be heard on October 30, 2013 at 1:00 p.m.

The Tenant testified that he was not served with the Notice to End Tenancy and that the Landlord illegally evicted him, changed the locks on the rental unit and refused to return his possessions.

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I find that the Landlord's Application and the Tenant's Application should be heard together and therefore under the provisions of Section 73 of the Act, I order that the Tenant's Application be adjourned to October 30, 2013, at 1:00 p.m. to be heard by me at the same time as the Landlord's Application.

Notices of Reconvened Hearing are enclosed with this Interim Decision. The Tenant is not required to serve the Landlord with the enclosed Notice of Reconvened Hearing.

### **Conclusion**

The Tenant's Application is adjourned to October 30, 2013, at 1:00 p.m. Notices of Reconvened Hearing are enclosed with this Interim Decision. The Tenant is not required to serve the Landlord with the enclosed Notice of Reconvened Hearing.

This Interim 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: July 29, 2013

Residential Tenancy Branch