

## **Dispute Resolution Services**

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

## **DECISION**

Dispute Codes OPR, MNR, MNSD, FF

This hearing was convened in response to an application by the Landlord pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the "Act") for Orders as follows:

- 1. An Order of Possession Section 55;
- 2. A Monetary Order for unpaid rent Section 67;
- 3. An Order to retain the security deposit Section 38; and
- 4. An Order to recover the filing fee for this application Section 72.

I accept the Landlord's evidence that the Tenant was served with the application for dispute resolution and notice of hearing <u>in person</u> in accordance with Section 89 of the Act. The Tenant did not participate in the conference call hearing. The Landlord was given full opportunity to be heard, to present evidence and to make submissions.

At the outset of the Hearing the Landlord was unable to recall exact details of the notice to end tenancy (the "Notice") and did not provide a copy of the Notice to support this application. The Landlord did not have a saved electronic copy of the Notice on hand and no hard copy. The Landlord attempted to provide oral evidence of the details of the notice to end tenancy but provided conflicting evidence on service.

Section 52 of the Act provides that in order to be effective a notice to end a tenancy must be in writing and must

- (a) be signed and dated by the landlord or tenant giving the notice,
- (b) give the address of the rental unit,
- (c) state the effective date of the notice,

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(d) except for a notice under section 45 (1) or (2) [tenant's notice], state the

grounds for ending the tenancy, and

(e) when given by a landlord, be in the approved form.

Given the lack of a copy of the Notice, and considering the conflicting and vague oral

evidence on the contents of the Notice, I cannot make a determination of the validity of

the notice to end tenancy. I therefore dismiss the application 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 14, 2014

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