

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

<u>Dispute Codes</u> OPR, MNR, MNSD, MNDC, 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 damages to the unit Section 67;
- A Monetary Order for unpaid rent Section 67;
- 4. A Monetary Order for compensation Section 67; and
- 5. An Order to recover the filing fee for this application Section 72.

The Tenant did not participate in the conference call hearing. The Landlord states that the Tenant was served with the application for dispute resolution and notice of hearing (the "Application") by special delivery and did not have a tracking number for registered mail. The Tenant states that the Tenant moved out of the unit on December 17, 2013.

The Act provides the following requirements for service of the Application

- **89** (1) 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].

As the Landlord did not serve the Application by any of the methods provided for under the Act, I find that service has not been accomplished and I therefore dismiss the application with leave to reapply. Leave to re-apply is not an extension of any applicable limitation period.

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 13, 2014

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