

Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes MNR, MNSD, FF

Introduction

This hearing dealt with the landlord's Application for Dispute Resolution seeking a monetary order.

The hearing was conducted via teleconference and was attended by the landlord

The landlord testified the tenant was served with the notice of hearing documents and this Application for Dispute Resolution, pursuant to Section 59(3) of the *Residential Tenancy Act (Act)* by posting the documents at her current location.

Section 89 of the *Act* stipulates that an application for dispute resolution, 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;

(e) As ordered by the director under section 71 (1).

Based on the testimony of the landlord, I find that the tenant has not been served with the hearing documents pursuant to the *Act*.

Issue(s) to be Decided

The issues to be decided are whether the landlord is entitled to a monetary order for unpaid rent; for all or part of the security and pet damage deposits and to recover the filing fee from the tenant for the cost of the Application for Dispute Resolution, pursuant to Sections 38, 67, and 72 of the *Residential Tenancy Act (Act)*.

Conclusion

Based on the landlord's testimony regarding service, I find the landlord has failed to serve the tenant with notice of this hearing in accordance with Section 89 and I dismiss this 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: February 27, 2014

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