

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes OPR MNR

Introduction

This matter proceeded by way of Direct Request Proceeding, pursuant to section 55(4) of the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the "Act"), and dealt with an Application for Dispute Resolution by the landlord for an order of possession for unpaid rent and a monetary order for unpaid rent.

In addition to other documentary evidence, the landlord submitted in their documentary evidence a Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Request document that was missing the address and the name of the respondent tenant on the registered mail receipt, which was left blank.

Preliminary Issue, Analysis and Conclusion

The Direct Request process is a mechanism that allows the landlord to apply for an expedited decision, with that the landlord must follow and submit documentation <u>exactly</u> as the *Act* prescribes; there can be no omissions or deficiencies with items being left open to interpretation or inference.

In this case, the landlord has failed provide the name of the respondent tenant on the registered mail receipt and the address to which the registered mail package was mailed. As a result, I am not satisfied that the respondent tenant was served with the Notice of Direct Request as I am unable to determine the address to which the registered mail package served and to whom it was served upon when the registered mail receipt is left blank.

Under these circumstances, **I dismiss** the landlords' application **with leave to reapply**. The landlord should not apply for a direct request proceeding unless all documents are completed in full and there are no documents which can be open to interpretation or inference.

This decision is final and binding on the parties, unless otherwise provided under the *Act*, and 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: May 15, 2014

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