

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, CNR, RR, FF

<u>Introduction</u>

This hearing was convened in response to an application by the Tenant and an application by the Landlord pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the "Act"). The Tenant applied for:

- 1. An Order cancelling a Notice to End Tenancy Section 46;
- 2. A rent reduction Section 65; and
- 3. An Order to recover the filing fee for this application Section 72.

The Landlord applied for:

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

The Tenant did not appear to pursue its application. I therefore dismiss the Tenant's application. The Landlord withdrew its claim for an order of possession as the Tenant has moved out of the unit and the unit has been sold.

The Landlord stated that the application for dispute resolution (the "Application") and Notice of Hearing were served on the Tenant by posting the materials on the Tenant's door.

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;
- (e) as ordered by the director under section 71 (1) [director's orders: delivery and service of documents].

As the Landlord served the Application that includes a monetary claim by posting it on the door of the Tenant's unit, I cannot find that service has been accomplished in accordance with Section 89 of the Act and I therefore dismiss the claim for a monetary order 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: October 29, 2014

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