

## **Dispute Resolution Services**

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# Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

#### **DECISION**

<u>Dispute Codes</u> SS

#### <u>Introduction</u>

This is a request for a substitute service order.

#### Issue(s) to be Decided

The issue is whether or not the Applicant has shown that she is unable to serve the respondents by any of the normal methods, and that the method she is requesting is likely to result in the named parties receiving the documents.

#### Background and Evidence

The applicant provided testimony about her attempts to locate the parties whom she wishes to serve, and her inability to do so.

The applicant further testified that the respondents have refused to give her a forwarding address or provide a location at which they could be served.

The applicant also provided testimony that shows that the female respondent has been working at the same place since 2008 in the front desk/reservations area and is requesting that she be allowed to serve the documents for both the female respondent and her husband to the female respondents work address.

#### <u>Analysis</u>

Based on the information provided it appears to me that the respondents are avoiding service, and therefore I will allow the request for substitute service.

Further, I find it most likely that if the documents are served to the female respondents workplace, this method of service will result in the parties receiving the documents.

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### Conclusion

I have allowed the request for a Substitute Service Order, allowing the applicant to serve the documents for both respondents, to the female respondents work address.

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: December 16, 2014

Residential Tenancy Branch