

## **Dispute Resolution Services**

# Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

### **DECISION**

<u>Dispute Codes</u> MNSD

#### **Introduction**

This hearing dealt with an application by the tenant for an order compelling the landlord to return their security deposit. Both parties participated in the conference call hearing.

#### Issue to be Decided

Does this tenancy fall within the jurisdiction of the Residential Tenancy Branch?

#### Background and Evidence

The parties agreed that the tenant is a non-profit organization which rented the unit to operate a transition house for women in crisis.

#### **Analysis**

Section 4(f) of the Act provides that the *Residential Tenancy Act* does not apply to accommodation provided for emergency shelter or transitional housing. I find that this tenancy does not fall within the jurisdiction of the Act. The parties may bring their claim to the Small Claims Division of the Provincial Court.

#### Conclusion

Jurisdiction is declined.

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: April 24, 2015

Residential Tenancy Branch