

Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes MNSD

This hearing was convened in response to an application by the Tenant for the return of the security deposit pursuant to section 38 of the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the "Act").

The Landlord did not appear at the hearing. The Tenant stated that the application and notice of hearing letter (the "Hearing Package") was not served to the Landlord. The Tenant stated that although they have tried to contact the Landlord they have received no response.

Section 59(3) of the Act provides that a person who makes an application for dispute resolution must give a copy of the application to the other party within 3 days of making it. Section 89(1) of the Act provides that an application for dispute resolution 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 Tenant did not give the Landlord a copy of the Hearing Package, I dismiss the 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: September 24, 2015

Residential Tenancy Branch