

## **Dispute Resolution Services**

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

## **INTERIM DECISION**

Dispute Codes MNDC MNSD FF

Introduction

This hearing convened pursuant to the tenant's application for monetary compensation. The tenant, the landlord and an agent for the landlord called in to the teleconference hearing.

## <u>Adjournment</u>

The tenant stated that she only received the landlord's evidence two days ago. The landlord stated that they attempted to personally serve it at the service address the tenant provided, but when they attended that address the person who answered the door stated that the tenant did not live at that address and he did not know who she was. The landlord stated that they believed they could not serve the tenant by registered mail at that address, because the tenant would not be able to sign for the package.

I asked the landlord whether they had filed their own application, and they mistakenly replied that they did. It was clear from the landlord's evidence that they intended to make their own monetary claim against the tenant.

I determined that it was appropriate to adjourn the hearing, to allow the tenant to consider the landlord's evidence and allow the landlord the opportunity to file their own application.

## Conclusion

The hearing is adjourned to the time and date set out in the enclosed notice of hearing.

If the landlord files their own application, it should be joined to be heard together with this file.

This interim 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, 2015

Residential Tenancy Branch