

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding Landrock Excavating & Landscaping Ltd. and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

DECISION

Dispute Codes MNSD, FF

<u>Introduction</u>

This hearing dealt with the tenant's Application for Dispute Resolution seeking a monetary order.

The hearing was conducted via teleconference and was attended by the tenant

The tenant testified the landlord was served with the notice of hearing documents and this Application for Dispute Resolution, pursuant to Section 59(3) of the *Residential Tenancy Act (Act)* by mail. However, the tenant could not confirm whether he sent it by registered mail or regular mail.

Section 89 of the *Act* states 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;
- By sending a copy by **registered** mail to that 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; or
- e) As ordered by the director.

As the tenant cannot recall which method of mailing he used I am not satisfied that the tenant has served the landlord with notice of this hearing by a method acceptable under the *Act*.

Issue(s) to be Decided

The issues to be decided are whether the tenant is entitled to a monetary order for double the amount of the security deposit and to recover the filing fee from the landlord for the cost of the Application for Dispute Resolution, pursuant to Sections 38, 67, and 72 of the *Act*.

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Conclusion

Based on the failure to prove service I dismiss the tenant's Application for Dispute Resolution in its entirety 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: July 21, 2016

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