

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding Atira Women's Resource Society and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

DECISION

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This hearing was convened in response to an application by the Landlord for an early end to the tenancy and an order of possession pursuant to section 56 of the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the "Act").

The Tenant did not appear at the Hearing. The Landlord stated that the application for dispute resolution and notice of hearing (the "Materials") was served on the Tenant by posting the Materials on the Tenant's door.

The Act provides the following requirements for service of the Application

- **89** (1) An application for dispute resolution or a decision of the director to proceed with a review under Division 2 of Part 5, when required to be given to one party by another, 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 Landlord did not serve the Tenant through any of the allowable methods of service, I cannot find that service has been accomplished in accordance with Section 89

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of the Act and I therefore dismiss the application with leave to reapply. Leave to re-

apply is not an extension of any applicable limitation period.

This decision is made on authority delegated to me by the Director of the Residential

Tenancy Branch under Section 9.1(1) of the Act.

Dated: February 14, 2018

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