



Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes MNDCT FFT

Introduction and Analysis

This hearing dealt with the tenants' Application for Dispute Resolution (application) seeking remedy under the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the Act) for a monetary order in the amount of \$2,029.52 for money owed or compensation for damage or loss under the Act, regulation or tenancy agreement, and to recover the cost of the filing fee.

Tenants DR and LB (tenants) attended the teleconference hearing. The tenants confirmed affirmed that they served the landlord by regular mail and not registered mail. The agent confirmed that they did not serve the application or Notice of Hearing by registered mail. Section 89(1)(c) of the Act requires that the Notice of Hearing be served by registered mail and not by regular mail.

Both parties have the right to a fair hearing. The landlord would not be aware of the hearing without having received the Notice of Hearing and application in a method approved under the Act. Therefore, **I dismiss** the tenants' application **with leave to reapply** as I am not satisfied that the landlord has been sufficiently served with the Notice of Hearing and application in a manner provided for under the Act. I note this decision does not extend any applicable time limits under the Act.

I do not grant the filing fee as a result of this service issues.

Conclusion

The tenants' application is dismissed with leave to reapply due to a service issue.

This decision does not extend any applicable time limits under the Act.

This decision will be emailed to both parties at the email addresses provided by the tenant for both parties.

I do not grant the filing fee due to the service issue.

This decision is final and binding on the parties, unless otherwise provided under the Act, and 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: August 31, 2020

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