

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

<u>Dispute Codes</u> OPR-DR, OPRM-DR, FFL

Introduction

This matter proceeded by way of an *ex parte* Direct Request Proceeding, pursuant to section 48(4) of the *Manufactured Home Park Tenancy Act* (the *Act*), and dealt with an Application for Dispute Resolution by the landlord for an Order of Possession based on unpaid rent and a Monetary Order.

The landlord submitted a signed Proof of Service Tenant's Notice of Direct Request Proceeding which declares that on May 26, 2021, the landlord sent themselves the Notice of Dispute Resolution Proceeding - Direct Request by registered mail.

Issue(s) to be Decided

Is the landlord entitled to an Order of Possession for unpaid rent pursuant to sections 39 and 48 of the *Act*?

Is the landlord entitled to monetary compensation for unpaid rent pursuant to section 60 of the *Act*?

Is the landlord entitled to recover the filing fee for this application pursuant to section 65 of the *Act*?

<u>Analysis</u>

In an *ex parte* Direct Request Proceeding, the onus is on the landlord to ensure that all submitted evidentiary material is in accordance with the prescribed criteria and that such evidentiary material does not lend itself to ambiguity or give rise to issues that may need further clarification beyond the purview of a Direct Request Proceeding. If the landlord cannot establish that all documents meet the standard necessary to proceed via the Direct Request Proceeding, the application may be found to have deficiencies that necessitate a participatory hearing, or, in the alternative, the application may be dismissed.

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In this type of matter, the landlord must prove they served the tenant with the Notice of Dispute Resolution Proceeding—Direct Request and all documents in support of the application in accordance with section 82 of the *Act*.

I find the landlord has not submitted a copy of the Proof of Service Notice of Direct Request Proceeding forms establishing service of the Notices of Dispute Resolution Proceeding – Direct Request to the tenants.

In their place, I find the landlord has submitted a copy of a Proof of Service Tenant's Notice of Direct Request Proceeding indicating the landlord served themselves a Notice of Dispute Resolution Proceeding – Direct Request.

I find I am not able to confirm service of the Notices of Dispute Resolution Proceeding - Direct Request to the tenants, which is a requirement of the Direct Request process.

For this reason, the landlord's application for an Order of Possession and a Monetary Order for unpaid rent is dismissed with leave to reapply.

As the landlord was not successful in this application, I find that the landlord is not entitled to recover the \$100.00 filing fee paid for this application.

Conclusion

I dismiss the landlord's application for an Order of Possession and a Monetary Order for unpaid rent with leave to reapply.

I dismiss the landlord's application to recover the filing fee paid for this application without 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 *Manufactured Home Park Tenancy Act*.

Dated: June 02, 2021

Residential Tenancy Branch