

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes MNRL-S, MNDCL-S, MNDL-S, FFL

Introduction

This hearing dealt with the landlord's application pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* (*"Act"*) for:

- a monetary order for unpaid rent and for money owed or compensation for damage or loss under the *Act*, *Residential Tenancy Regulation* ("*Regulation*") or tenancy agreement, pursuant to section 67;
- authorization to retain the tenant's security deposit in partial satisfaction of the monetary order requested, pursuant to section 38; and
- authorization to recover the filing fee for its application from the tenant, pursuant to section 72.

This matter was set for a conference call hearing at 1:30 p.m. on this date. The landlord participated in the hearing, the tenants did not. The landlord was granted a substitute service order by an Adjudicator on May 26, 2022. The landlord advised that he served the tenants by email in accordance with that order, however, the landlord did not provide a copy of the email for this hearing. In the Adjudicator's decision, they stated the following

"For this reason, I allow the landlord substituted service of the Notice of Dispute Resolution Proceeding, with supporting documents and written evidence, by e-mail to the tenant at the e-mail address indicated on the first page of this decision. I order the landlord to provide proof of service of the e-mail which may include a printout of the sent item, a confirmation of delivery receipt, or other documentation to confirm the landlord has served the tenant in accordance with this order. If possible, the landlord should provide a read receipt confirming the e-mail was opened and viewed by the tenant." The landlord was unable to satisfy me that the tenants have been served the Notice of Hearing Documents in accordance with Section 89 of the Act and as a result, I dismiss the landlord's application with leave to reapply.

Conclusion

The landlord's application is dismissed with leave to reapply. The landlords request to recover the filing fee is dismissed 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 *Residential Tenancy Act*.

Dated: January 30, 2023

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