

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch Ministry of Housing

DECISION

Dispute Codes OPR, MNRL-S, FFL

Introduction

Pursuant to section 58 of the Residential Tenancy Act (the Act), I was designated to hear an application regarding the above-noted tenancy. The landlords applied for:

- an order of possession under a 10-Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent, pursuant to sections 46 and 55;
- a monetary order for unpaid rent, pursuant to section 26;
- an authorization to retain the security deposit, under section 38; and
- an authorization to recover the filing fee for this application, under section 72.

I left the teleconference connection open until 1:41 P.M. to enable the tenant to call into this teleconference hearing scheduled for 1:30 P.M. Landlord JR and agent SB attended and were given a full opportunity to be heard, to present affirmed testimony, to make submissions and to call witnesses.

I confirmed that the correct call-in numbers and participant codes had been provided in the Notice of Hearing. I also confirmed from the teleconference system that JR, SB and I were the only ones who had called into this teleconference.

Agent SB affirmed the landlords did not serve the notice of hearing to the respondent in any of the ways described in section 89 of the Act. The hearing cannot proceed fairly when the respondent has not been notified of the hearing.

Based on the foregoing, I dismiss the landlords' application with leave to reapply. Leave to reapply is not an extension of timeline to apply.

The landlord must bear the cost of the filing fee, as the landlord was not successful.

Conclusion

I dismiss the landlords' application 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: February 24, 2023

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