

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

<u>Dispute Codes</u> MNDL-S, MNRL-S

<u>Introduction</u>

This hearing dealt with the Landlords' Application for Dispute Resolution filed under the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the "*Act*"), made on September 6, 2018. The Landlords applied for a monetary order for unpaid rent, a monetary order for compensation from the Tenant damaging the rental unit, permission to retain the security deposit and to recover the filing fee paid for the application. The matter was set for a conference call.

The Landlord Representative attended the hearing was affirmed to be truthful in his testimony. As the Tenant did not attend the hearing, service of the Notice of Dispute Resolution Hearing documents was considered. Section 59 of the *Act* states that the respondent must be served with a copy of the Application for Dispute Resolution and Notice of Hearing.

The Landlord testified that the Application for Dispute Resolution and Notice of Hearing documents had not been served on the Tenant as they were having a hard time locating the Tenant's forwarding address. I find that the Tenant has not been duly served the notification of this hearing as required, pursuant to section 59 of the Act.

Therefore, I dismiss the Landlord application with leave to reapply. This decision does not extend any legislated timelines pursuant to the *Act*.

Conclusion

I dismiss the Landlord's 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: January 14, 2019

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