



Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch
Ministry of Housing

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DECISION

Dispute Codes MNRT, MNDCT, AAT, LAT, RPP, AS, OLC

Introduction

The applicant filed two applications for dispute resolution under the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the “Act”). The applicant, an interpreter for the applicant, the respondent, and two agents for the respondent attended the hearing.

Preliminary Issue: Jurisdiction

In reviewing the submissions of the respondent, it appears that the applicant was found, in a previous decision of the Residential Tenancy Branch not to be a “tenant” for the purposes of the Act in the contractual relationship between the parties. As such, because the applicant was not a tenant, they do not have standing to bring this application before the Residential Tenancy Branch. See previous decision as referenced in the cover page of this Decision.

Given that the Residential Tenancy Branch has previously ruled on this matter, namely, that the applicant was not a tenant, I see no reason to make a different finding of fact or law. Indeed, there is no information before me to make a finding different than that in the previous decision, and the respondent’s agent confirmed that nothing has changed since the previous decision of June 6, 2023. The applicant was not pleased to hear that this was my decision, and I had to end the hearing without hearing further submissions.

For these reasons the applicant’s two applications are dismissed for want of jurisdiction.

This decision is made on authority delegated to me by the Director of the Residential Tenancy Branch under section 9.1(1) of the Act.

Dated: October 13, 2023

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