

THE ISLAND REGULATORY AND APPEALS COMMISSION

Prince Edward Island Île-du-Prince-Édouard **CANADA**

Dockets LR18031 Order LR18-25

IN THE MATTER of an appeal filed under Section 25 of the Rental of Residential Property Act by Doreen Aghdasy against Orders LD18-229 dated July 23, 2017 issued by the Office of the Director of Residential Rental Property.

BEFORE THE COMMISSION

on Wednesday, the 29th day of August, 2018.

John Broderick, Commissioner M. Douglas Clow, Vice-Chair

Order

Compared and Certified a True Copy

(Sgd.) Susan Jefferson

Commission Administrator Corporate Services and Appeals IN THE MATTER of an appeal filed under Section 25 of the Rental of Residential Property Act by Doreen Aghdasy against Orders LD18-229 dated July 23, 2017 issued by the Office of the Director of Residential Rental Property.

Order

The Commission received a Notice of Appeal from a lessor, Doreen Aghdasy (the "Appellant"), requesting an appeal of Order LD18-229 dated July 23, 2018 issued by the Director of Residential Rental Property (the "Director"). The Notice of Appeal were received by the Commission on August 23, 2018.

Subsection 25(1) of the Rental of Residential Property Act R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. R-13.1 (the **Act**) reads as follows:

"25. (1) Any party to a decision or order of the Director, if the party has appeared or been represented at the hearing before the Director, may appeal therefrom by serving on the Commission, within twenty days after receipt of the decision or order of the Director, a notice of appeal in the form prescribed by regulation."

Subsection 33(3) of the Act reads as follows:

"33. (3) Where a document is delivered by ordinary mail, it is deemed to have been delivered on the third day after the date of mailing."

The Commission finds that the last date for filing the appeals would have been August 15, 2018. As the appeal was filed beyond the statutory appeal period, the Commission has no jurisdiction to hear the appeal.

The Commission does not have the authority to waive a requirement of the *Act* or extend the statutory appeal period. Accordingly, the appeal is disallowed and Director's Order LD18-229 remains in full force and effect.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to the *Island Regulatory and Appeals*Commission Act and the Rental of Residential Property Act

IT IS ORDERED THAT

- The Commission has no jurisdiction to hear the appeal as the Notice of Appeal was received after the statutory appeal period had expired. The appeal is therefore dismissed.
- 2. Director's Order LD18-229 remains in full force and effect.

DATED at Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, this **29th** day of **August**, **2018**.

BY THE COMMISSION:

(sgd. John Broderick)
John Broderick, Commissioner
(sgd. M. Douglas Clow)
M. Douglas Clow. Vice-Chair

NOTICE

Sections 26.(2), 26.(3), 26.(4) and 26.(5) of the **Rental of Residential Property Act** provide as follows:

- 26.(2) A lessor or lessee may, within fifteen days of the decision of the Commission, appeal to the court on a question of law only.
- (3) The rules of court governing appeals apply to an appeal under subsection (2).
- (4) Where the Commission has confirmed, reversed or varied an order of the Director and no appeal has been taken within the time specified in subsection (2), the lessor or lessee may file the order in the court.
- (5) Where an order is filed pursuant to subsection (4), it may be enforced as if it were an order of the court.

NOTICE: IRAC File Retention

In accordance with the Commission's Records Retention and Disposition Schedule, the material contained in the official file regarding this matter will be retained by the Commission for a period of 2 years.

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