

Landlord Tenant Disputes

Involving the Residential Tenancies Act



The [Landlord and Tenant Board](#) (the "LTB") hears most issues in dispute involving the relationship between residential landlords and their tenants as governed by the *Residential Tenancies Act, 2006*, [S.O. 2006, Chapter 17.](#) Matters involving commercial tenancy fall outside the jurisdiction of the LTB and must be

brought in the Superior Court of Ontario (if the matter involves less than \$25,000 a licensed paralegal can provide representation in the Small Claims Court).

Confusingly, where a dispute exists between residential landlords and former tenants, certain matters must still proceed within the LTB while certain other matters must proceed in the Small Claims Court. Frequently, where multiple issues arise, some issues must proceed at the LTB and other issues in the Small Claims Court. Failure to bring issues to the proper forum can result in a dismissal of proceedings.

