

## **Dispute Resolution Services**

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Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

## DECISION

Dispute Codes MND, MNR, MNSD, FF

## Introduction

Pursuant to section 58 of the *Residential Tenancy Act*. (the *Act*), I was designated to hear this matter. This hearing dealt with an application pursuant to the *Act* in respect of the above-noted tenancy in which the landlords applied for:

- a monetary order for unpaid rent and for damage to the unit pursuant to section 67;
- authorization to retain all or a portion of the tenants' security deposit in partial satisfaction of the monetary order requested pursuant to section 38; and
- authorization to recover their filing fee for this application from the tenants pursuant to section 72.

While the male Respondent and the tenants' legal advocate attended the hearing by way of conference call, the Applicant did not, although I waited until 11:14 a.m. in order to enable the Applicants to connect with this hearing scheduled for 11:00 a.m.

Rule 10.1 of the Rules of Procedure provides as follows:

**10.1 Commencement of the dispute resolution proceeding** The dispute resolution proceeding must commence at the scheduled time unless otherwise decided by the Dispute Resolution Officer. The Dispute Resolution Officer may conduct the dispute resolution proceeding in the absence of a party and may make a decision or dismiss the application, with or without leave to re-apply.

## In the absence of the applicant's participation in this hearing, I order the application dismissed without liberty 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: September 20, 2012

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