

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes RP, FF

Introduction

This hearing was convened in response to an application filed by the tenant who is seeking an Order that the landlord be compelled to make repairs and to recover the filing fee paid for this application.

The landlord did not attend the hearing. The tenant testified that he served the landlord with notice of this claim and this hearing on October 12, 2012 in person. The tenant says the stairs which were the subject of this application are now repaired and the tenant merely wishes to recover the \$50.00 filing fee he paid for this application.

The tenant says he made repeated requests to the landlord to make the necessary repairs however the landlord did not make them until sometime between October 6 and October 15, 2012. Except for his testimony the tenant has not supplied any further evidence that he requested the repairs such as by writing to the landlord. The tenant's testimony does show that once informed of the repairs (following service of this application) the landlord attended to them quickly. It may be that this was the first time the landlord knew the repairs were required and without further evidence to otherwise, I decline to allow the tenant to recover the filing fee paid for this application.

The tenant's claims are therefore dismissed.

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: November 13, 2012.	
	Residential Tenancy Branch