



Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes

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Introduction

This hearing dealt with the landlord's Application for Dispute Resolution under the Residential Tenancy Act (the Act). No one was in attendance for either party.

Section 61 of the *Residential Tenancy Act* states that upon accepting an application for dispute resolution, the Director must set the matter down for a hearing and that the Director must determine if the hearing is to be oral or in writing. In this case, the hearing was scheduled for an oral teleconference hearing. Rule 10.1 of the Rules of Procedure provides as follows:

10.1 Commencement of the hearing The hearing must commence at the scheduled time unless otherwise decided by the arbitrator. The arbitrator may conduct the hearing 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 and respondent, the telephone line remained open while the phone system was monitored for ten minutes and no one on behalf of the applicant landlord or respondent tenant called into the hearing during this time. Based on the aforementioned I find that the landlord has not presented the merits of their application and the application **is hereby dismissed** with leave to reapply.

Conclusion

I HEREBY DISMISS the landlord's application, with leave to reapply. Leave to reapply is not an extension of any applicable limitation period.

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 22, 2012

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