

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

## DECISION

Dispute Codes CNR, MNDC

#### Introduction

The applicant tenants failed to contact the telephone conference bridge number at the appointed time set for the hearing. The respondent was present and ready to proceed. I waited over 15 minutes and the applicants still had not appeared. I then proceeded with the hearing in the absence of the applicants. The respondent testified the applicants failed to pay the rent and he himself was unable to pay the rent and he has been evicted. He further testified the applicants have failed to pay any rent during the course of the tenancy.

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 arbitrator. The arbitrator 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.

# Accordingly, in the absence of any evidence or submissions from the applicants 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: July 09, 2014

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