

Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

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Introduction

This hearing dealt with an Application for Dispute Resolution filed on April 24 2014, by the Tenant to obtain a Monetary Order for money owed or compensation for damage or loss under the Act, regulation or tenancy agreement; for the return of double his security deposit; and to recover the cost of the filing fee from the Landlord for this Application.

The respondent Landlord appeared at the teleconference hearing; however, no one appeared on behalf of the applicant Tenant.

Issue(s) to be Decided

Should this application be dismissed with or without leave to reapply?

Background and Evidence

There was no additional evidence or testimony provided in support of the Tenants' claim as no one attended on behalf of the Tenants.

<u>Analysis</u>

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.

In the absence of the applicant Tenant, the telephone line remained open while the phone system was monitored for ten minutes and no one on behalf of the applicant Tenant called into the hearing during this time.

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.

Accordingly, in the absence of any submissions from the applicant Tenant I order the application dismissed without liberty to reapply.

Conclusion

I HEREBY DISMISS the Tenant's application, without leave 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: August 11, 2014



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The RTB website (<u>www.rto.gov.bc.ca</u>) has information about:

- How and when to enforce an order of possession: Fact Sheet RTB-103: Landlord: Enforcing an Order of Possession
- How and when to enforce a monetary order: Fact Sheet RTB-108: *Enforcing a Monetary Order*
- How and when to have a decision or order corrected:
 Fact Sheet RTB-111: Correction of a Decision or Order
- How and when to have a decision or order clarified: Fact Sheet RTB-141: *Clarification of a Decision or Order*
- How and when to apply for the review of a decision: Fact Sheet RTB-100: *Review Consideration of a Decision or Order* (Please Note: Legislated deadlines apply)

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