

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

<u>Dispute Codes</u> CNR O FF

<u>Introduction</u>

This hearing dealt with an Application for Dispute Resolution filed on July 07, 2014, by the Tenant to cancel a Notice to end tenancy for unpaid rent, for other reasons, and to recover the cost of the filing fee from the Landlord for this application.

The hearing was conducted via teleconference and was attended by the Landlord. No one was in attendance for the Tenant despite this hearing being convened to hear matters pertaining to the Tenant's application.

Issue(s) to be Decided

Should the Tenant's application be dismissed with or without leave to reapply?

Background and Evidence

No additional evidence was provided in support of the Tenant's application as no one appeared at the teleconference hearing on behalf of the Tenant.

The Landlord submitted that the Tenant vacated the property by July 31, 2014, which was the end of the fixed term.

Analysis

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.

Rule 10.1 of the Rules of Procedure provides as follows:

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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 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. 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: September 08, 2014

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