

Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes MNSD, FF

Introduction

Pursuant to section 58 of the *Residential Tenancy Act*. (the *Act*), I was designated to hear this matter. This hearing dealt with the tenant's application for:

- authorization to obtain a return of double his security deposit pursuant to section 38; and
- authorization to recover his filing fee for this application from the landlord pursuant to section 72.

While the Respondent attended the hearing by way of conference call, the Applicant did not, although I waited until 10:44 a.m. in order to enable the Applicant to connect with this teleconference hearing scheduled for 10:30 a.m.

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.

In the absence of the applicant's participation in this hearing, 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: October 01, 2014

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