



# Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch  
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

## **DECISION**

Dispute Codes:

**MNDC, PSF**

### Introduction

This hearing was scheduled in response to the tenant's application in which the tenant has requested compensation for damage or loss and an Order the landlord provide services or facilities required by law. The application indicated a claim in the sum of \$20,000.00 and a notation that the tenant was not sure of the sum claimed.

On May 21, 2015 the tenant submitted a note requesting an adjournment due to the loss of hydro services and having to relocate. The tenant did not send an agent to the hearing to make submissions in relation to this request. The landlord said that the tenant abandoned the rental unit three weeks ago and that the tenant has had ample time to prepare to attend the hearing. In the absence of an agent for the tenant, who could explain why an adjournment would be required I declined to do so.

This matter was set for hearing at 10:30 a.m. on this date. The applicant/tenant did not attend. The landlord was present at the scheduled start time of the hearing;

Residential Tenancy Branch Rules of Procedure provides:

### ***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 an appearance by the tenant by 10:40 a.m., this application is abandoned and dismissed without leave to reapply.

This decision is final and binding and 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: June 09, 2015

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