

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

# **DECISION**

<u>Dispute Codes</u> OPR MNR

#### <u>Introduction</u>

This hearing dealt with an Application for Dispute Resolution which was original filed by the Landlord on July 03, 2015 through the Direct Request Process. The Application was reviewed and an Interim Decision was issued on July 09, 2015 adjourning this application to this participatory hearing. Therefore, this Decision must be read in conjunction with the aforementioned Interim Decision.

No one was in attendance at the scheduled teleconference hearing.

## 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 as there was no one in attendance at the scheduled hearing.

#### 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. In this case, the hearing was scheduled for an oral teleconference hearing.

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.

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

Based on the aforementioned I find that the Landlord failed to present the merits of their application. Accordingly, the application was dismissed without leave to reapply.

# Conclusion

No one was in attendance at the reconvened teleconference hearing and the Landlord's application was dismissed, 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 15, 2015

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