



# Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch  
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

## DECISION

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### Introduction

Pursuant to section 58 of the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the *Act*), I was designated to hear an application regarding the above-noted tenancy. Pursuant to section 69 of the *Act*, the landlord applied to be allowed to increase rent by an amount that is greater than the amount calculated under the regulations for the purpose of section 43(1)(a) of the *Act*, and not greater than the maximum rent increase authorized by the Regulations prescribed for the purpose of section 69.

Neither party attended at the appointed time set for the hearing, although I waited until 10:18 a.m. to enable them to participate in this hearing scheduled for 10:00 a.m.

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 dispute resolution officer. The dispute resolution officer 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 appearance by the parties at the teleconference hearing, I order the application dismissed with liberty to reapply.** I make no findings on the merits of the matter. Liberty to reapply is not an extension of any applicable limitation period. 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 18, 2015

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