

Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

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Introduction

This hearing convened to hear matters pertaining to the Landlords' Application for Dispute Resolution filed on August 26, 2015. The Landlords filed seeking to obtain a Monetary Order, for other reasons, and to recover the cost of the filing fee from the Tenants for this application.

No one was in attendance at the scheduled teleconference hearing for either the Landlords or the Tenants.

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.

<u>Analysis</u>

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.

In the absence of the applicant Landlords and respondent Tenants, 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 the Landlords have failed to prove the merits of their application. Accordingly, I dismiss the application without leave to reapply.

Conclusion

The Landlords' application was dismissed without leave to reapply. This dismissal does not extend any applicable time limits set out under the Act.

This decision is final, legally 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: March 04, 2016

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