

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding VANCOUVER EVICTION SERVICES and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

DECISION

<u>Dispute Codes</u> ERP, MNR, MNDC, O, PSF, RP, RR

<u>Introduction</u>

This hearing dealt with the tenant's application pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the "Act") for:

- a monetary order for compensation for damage or loss under the Act, regulation or tenancy agreement pursuant to section 67;
- an order to the landlord to make emergency repairs to the rental unit pursuant to section 33;
- an order requiring the landlord to comply with the Act, regulation or tenancy agreement pursuant to section 62;
- an order to the landlord to make repairs to the rental unit pursuant to section 32;
- an order to allow the tenant(s) to reduce rent for repairs, services or facilities agreed upon but not provided, pursuant to section 65; and
- an order to the landlord to provide services or facilities required by law pursuant to section 65.

This matter was set for a conference call hearing at 10:30 a.m. on this date. The landlord and his agent (the landlord) attended the hearing by conference call and gave undisputed affirmed testimony. The tenants did not attend.

The tenants failed to attend the hearing by way of conference call. I waited until 11 minutes past the start of the scheduled hearing time in order to enable both parties to connect with this teleconference hearing.

Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure provides that:

7.1 Commencement of the dispute resolution hearing

The dispute resolution hearing will commence at the scheduled time unless otherwise set by the arbitrator.

7.2 Delay in the start of a hearing

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In the event of a delay of a start of a conference call hearing, each party must stay available on the line to commence the hearing for 30 minutes after the time scheduled for the start of the hearing.

In the event of a delay of a face-to-face hearing, unless otherwise advised, the parties must remain available to commence the hearing at the hearing location for 30 minutes after the time scheduled for the start of the hearing.

7.3 Consequences of not attending the hearing

If a party or their agent fails to attend the hearing, the arbitrator may conduct the dispute resolution hearing in the absence of that party, or dismiss the application, with or without leave to re-apply.

7.4 Evidence must be presented

Evidence must be presented by the party who submitted it, or by the party's agent. If a party or their agent does not attend the hearing to present evidence, any written submissions supplied may or may not be considered.

The landlord stated at the outset that the tenants are no longer residing at the rental premises and had vacated the rental premises on June 29, 2016 as a result of a writ of possession being executed by the bailiffs.

Accordingly, in the absence of any evidence or submissions from the tenants and in the absence of the tenants' participation in this hearing, I order the application dismissed without leave to reapply. I make no findings on the merits of the matter.

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: July 05, 2016

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