

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding VALLEY REALTY and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

DECISION

<u>Dispute Codes</u> CNC, OPT, AAT, AS, SS, O

<u>Introduction</u>

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

- cancellation of the landlord's 1 Month Notice to End Tenancy for Cause (the 1 Month Notice) pursuant to section 47;
- an order of possession of the rental unit pursuant to section 54;
- an order to allow access to or from the rental unit or site for the tenant or the tenant's guests pursuant to section 70;
- an order allowing the tenant to assign or sublet because the landlord's permission has been unreasonably withheld pursuant to section 65; and
- authorization to serve documents or evidence in a different way than required by the Act pursuant to section 71; and
- an order requiring the landlord to comply with the Act, regulation or tenancy agreement pursuant to section 62.

This matter was set for a conference call hearing at 10:00 a.m. on this date. Both parties 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

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.

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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.

Accordingly, in the absence of any evidence or submissions from either party and in the absence of both parties participation in this hearing, I order the application dismissed with leave to reapply. I make no findings on the merits of the matter. Leave 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: August 23, 2016

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