



Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

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Introduction

This hearing dealt with the tenant's application pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* ("the *Act*") for a determination regarding the dispute of an additional rent increase pursuant to section 43. The tenant/applicant did not attend this hearing, although I waited until 9:41 am in order to enable her to connect with this hearing scheduled for 9:30 am. The landlord attended the hearing. The matter of the landlord's additional rent increase was the subject of a previous dispute resolution application wherein a Residential Tenancy Branch arbitrator issued a decision regarding the rent increase.

With respect to the tenant/applicant's failure to attend this hearing, Rule 10.1 of the Rules of Procedure provides as follows:

The dispute resolution proceeding must commence at the scheduled time unless otherwise decided by the Arbitrator. The Arbitrator may conduct the dispute resolution proceeding 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 tenant/applicant's participation in this hearing to support their application and given the previous decision with respect to this matter, **I order the tenant's application dismissed without liberty to reapply.**

Conclusion: The tenant's application is 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 19, 2016

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