

## **Dispute Resolution Services**

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

## **DECISION**

Dispute Codes MNR, MNSD, MNDC, FF, SS

## **Introduction**

Rule 7.1 of the Residential Tenancy Branch Rules of Procedure provides as follows: Commencement of Hearing: The Dispute Resolution Hearing will commence at the scheduled time unless otherwise set by the Arbitrator. Rule 7.3 provides for the consequences of not attending the hearing and states: 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 reapply.

The matter was set for a hearing at 1.30 p.m. on this date to hear the landlord's application. The hearing went ahead as scheduled the tenants and their advocate dialed into the conference call. The telephone line remained open while the phone system was monitored for ten minutes and no one on behalf of the landlord called into the hearing during this time. Based on this I find that the landlord has failed to present the merits of his application and the 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: November 15, 2016	
	Residential Tenancy Branch