



Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes MNSD, FF

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 tenant's application. The hearing went ahead as scheduled an agent for the landlord dialed into the conference call on behalf of the landlord. The phone line remained open for 10 minutes; however, the tenant did not dial into the call during this time. Based on the above I find that the tenant 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 21, 2016

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