



Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes MNR, FF

Introduction

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

- a monetary order for unpaid rent, pursuant to section 67; and
- authorization to recover the filing fee for this application, pursuant to section 72.

While the respondent tenant RF ("tenant") attended the hearing by way of conference call, the applicant landlord did not, although I waited until 1:40 p.m. in order to enable the tenant to connect with this teleconference hearing scheduled for 1:30 p.m. The tenant confirmed that he was the husband of "tenant MC," the other tenant named in this application, and that he had authority to speak on her behalf as an agent at this hearing.

Rule 7.3 of the RTB *Rules of Procedure* provides as follows:

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.

In the absence of any appearance by the landlord, I order the landlord's entire application 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: May 04, 2017

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