

Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes CNC FF MNDC MNSD

<u>Analysis</u>

While the respondent, landlord attended the hearing by way of conference call, the Applicant tenant did not, although I waited until 10:40 A.M. in order to enable the Applicant to connect with this teleconference hearing scheduled for 10:30 A.M.

Rule 7.3 of the Rules of Procedure provides as follows:

7.3 Commencement of the dispute resolution proceeding - 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.

Conclusion

In the absence of the tenant's participation in this hearing, I order the application dismissed without liberty 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: August 28, 2017

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