

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

<u>Dispute Codes</u> MT, CNL, OLC, O, FF

Introduction

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

- more time to make an application to cancel the landlord's 2 Month Notice to End Tenancy for Landlord's Use of Property ("2 Month Notice"), pursuant to section 66;
- cancellation of the landlord's 2 Month Notice, pursuant to section 49;
- an order for the landlord to comply with the *Act*, *Residential Tenancy Regulation* or tenancy agreement, pursuant to section 62;
- other unspecified remedies; and
- authorization to recover the filing fee for this application, pursuant to section 72.

While the respondent landlord and his agent attended the hearing by way of conference call, the applicant tenant did not, although I waited until 9:41 a.m. in order to enable the tenant to connect with this teleconference hearing scheduled for 9:30 a.m. The landlord's agent confirmed that she was the landlord's daughter and the landlord confirmed that his agent had permission to speak on his behalf 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 reapply.

In the absence of any appearance by the tenant, I order the tenant's entire application dismissed without leave to reapply.

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Pursuant to section 55 of the *Act*, if I dismiss the tenant's application to cancel a 1 Month Notice, the landlord is entitled to an order of possession if the notice meets the requirements of section 52 of the *Act*.

The landlord's agent testified that the landlord did not require an order of possession against the tenant because the tenant vacated on August 3, 2017 and the landlord had received the rental unit keys back from the tenant. Accordingly, I do not issue an order of possession to the landlord.

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 23, 2017	
	Residential Tenancy Branch