



Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes MNSD, FF

Introduction

Pursuant to section 58 of the Residential Tenancy Act (the “Act”), I was designated to hear an application regarding the above-noted tenancy. The tenants applied for:

- A return of their security deposit and pet damage deposit pursuant to section 38; and
- authorization to recover the filing fee for this application from the landlords pursuant to section 72.

This matter was set for hearing by telephone conference call at 1:30 pm on November 21, 2017. The line remained open while the phone system was monitored for fifteen minutes and no participant called into the hearing during this time.

Rule 7.3 of the 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.

Accordingly, as neither the applicant nor the respondent attended the hearing by 1:45pm and **in the absence of any evidence or submissions I order the application dismissed with leave to reapply.** I make no findings on the merits of the matter. The issuance of this decision does not extend any applicable deadlines under the Act.

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 22, 2017

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