

## **Dispute Resolution Services**

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

## **DECISION**

<u>Dispute Codes</u> OPR MNR MNSD MNDC FF

## <u>Introduction</u>

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

- an Order of Possession for unpaid rent pursuant to sections 46 and 55;
- a monetary order for unpaid rent and for money owed or compensation for damage or loss under the *Act*, regulation or tenancy agreement pursuant to section 67;
- authorization to retain all or a portion of the tenant's security deposit in partial satisfaction of the monetary order requested pursuant to section 38; and
- authorization to recover the filing fee for this application from the tenant pursuant to section 72.

The landlords did not attend this hearing, although I waited until 1:43 p.m. in order to enable the landlord to connect with this teleconference hearing scheduled for 1:30 p.m.

The tenants attended the hearing and were given a full opportunity to be heard, to present sworn testimony, to make submissions and to call witnesses.

## <u>Analysis</u>

Rules 7.1 and 7.3 of the Rules of Procedure provides as follows:

**Commencement of the hearing -** The hearing must commence at the scheduled time unless otherwise decided by the arbitrator. The arbitrator may conduct the hearing in the absence of a party and may make a decision or dismiss the application, with or without leave to re-apply.

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Accordingly, in the absence of any evidence or submissions from the applicants, I order the Application dismissed without liberty to reapply.

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Therefore, as advised to the tenants during the hearing, the landlord's 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent or Utilities (the 10 Day Notice) dated August 28, 2017, is

cancelled and of no force or effect.

The landlords are not entitled to an order of possession under section 55 of the Act.

Conclusion

The landlords' Application is dismissed, without leave to reapply.

The 10 Day Notice dated August 28, 2017, is cancelled and is of no force or effect.

This tenancy continues until ended in accordance with 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: December 13, 2017

Residential Tenancy Branch