



Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding PORTLAND HOUSING SOCIETY
and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

DECISION

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Introduction

Pursuant to section 58 of the *Residential Tenancy Act*. (the *Act*), I was designated to hear this matter. This hearing dealt with an application for an Order of Possession of the rental unit by the Applicants pursuant to section 54 of the *Act*.

While a representative for the Respondents attended the hearing by way of conference call, the Applicants did not, although I waited until 10:48 a.m. in order to enable them to connect with this teleconference hearing scheduled for 10:30 a.m.

Rule 10.1 of the Rules of Procedure provides as follows:

10.1 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.

In the absence of the applicant'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: December 22, 2017

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