

Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes MNSD, FF

Introduction

This hearing convened as a result of a Tenant's Application for Dispute Resolution filed on July 4, 2017. The matter was set for hearing by telephone conference call at 1:30 p.m. on this date.

The Respondent attended and provided undisputed affirmed testimony. The Applicant did not attend. I waited until 12 minutes past the start of the scheduled hearing time in order to enable both parties to connect with this teleconference hearing.

Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure provides that:

7.1 Commencement of the dispute resolution hearing

The dispute resolution hearing will commence at the scheduled time unless otherwise set by the arbitrator.

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 re-apply.

As the Applicant did not call into the hearing by 1:42 p.m., and the Respondent appeared and was ready to proceed, **I dismiss the Applicant's claim without leave to reapply.**

This Decision is final and binding on the parties, except as otherwise provided under the Act, and 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 21, 2017

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