

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

## DECISION

Dispute Codes MT, CNC

## 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 1 Month Notice to End Tenancy for Cause, dated September 30, 2017 ("1 Month Notice"), pursuant to section 66; and
- cancellation of the landlord's 1 Month Notice, pursuant to section 47.

While the respondent landlord attended the hearing by way of conference call, the applicant tenant did not, although I waited until 9:40 a.m. in order to enable the tenant to connect with this teleconference hearing scheduled for 9:30 a.m.

The landlord confirmed receipt of the tenant's application for dispute resolution hearing package. In accordance with sections 89 and 90 of the *Act*, I find that the landlord was duly served with the tenant's application.

The landlord confirmed that the tenant was renting the manufactured home and site from him so this matter was correctly filed under the *Residential Tenancy Act* rather than the *Manufactured Home Park Tenancy Act*.

Rule 7.3 of the Residential Tenancy Branch *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.

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 testified that he did not require an order of possession against the tenant because the tenant had vacated the manufactured home and site on December 1, 2017 and the landlord had taken back possession of both and moved in himself.

For the above reasons, 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: January 11, 2018

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