



# Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch  
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

## DECISION

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### Introduction

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

- cancellation of the landlords' 1 Month Notice to End Tenancy for Cause, dated October 30, 2017 ("1 Month Notice"), pursuant to section 47.

While the respondent two landlords attended the hearing by way of conference call, the two applicant tenants did not, although I waited until 1:42 p.m. in order to enable the tenants to connect with this teleconference hearing scheduled for 1:30 p.m.

The landlords confirmed receipt of the tenants' application for dispute resolution hearing package. In accordance with sections 89 and 90 of the *Act*, I find that both landlords were duly served with the tenants' application.

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 re-apply.*

In the absence of any appearance by the tenants, I order the tenants' application dismissed without leave to reapply.

Pursuant to section 55 of the *Act*, if I dismiss the tenants' application to cancel a 1 Month Notice, the landlords are entitled to an order of possession if the notice meets the requirements of section 52 of the *Act*.

The landlords testified that they did not require an order of possession against the tenants because the tenants had vacated the rental unit and they had taken back possession and changed the locks.

For the above reasons, I do not issue an order of possession to the landlords.

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 21, 2018

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