



Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes OPT

Introduction

This hearing dealt with the tenant's application pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the *Act*) for an Order of Possession of the rental unit pursuant to section 54.

This matter was set for hearing by telephone conference call at 9:30 am. on this date. The line remained open while the phone system was monitored for ten minutes and the only participant who called into the hearing during this time was the respondent.

Rule 7.3 of the 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.

Therefore, as the applicant did not attend the hearing by 9:40 am, and the respondent appeared and was ready to proceed, I dismiss the claim without leave 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: March 28, 2018

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