



# Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch  
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

## DECISION

Dispute Codes      MNSD, FFT

### Introduction

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

- a Monetary Order for the return of the security deposit, pursuant to sections 38 and 67; and
- authorization to recover the filing fee for this application from the landlord, pursuant to section 72.

Neither party attended at the appointed time set for the hearing, although I waited 11 minutes to enable them to participate in this hearing scheduled for 1:30 p.m. I confirmed that the correct call-in numbers and participant codes had been provided in the Notice of Hearing. I also confirmed from the teleconference system that I was the only person who had called into this teleconference.

Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure provides as follows:

#### **7.1 Commencement of the dispute resolution hearing**

The dispute resolution hearing will commence at the scheduled time unless otherwise set by the arbitrator. Rule 7.3 states that 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.

### Issue(s) to be Decided

1. Is the tenant entitled to a Monetary Order for the return of the security deposit, pursuant to sections 38 and 67 of the *Act*?

2. Is the tenant entitled to recover the filing fee for this application from the landlord, pursuant to section 72 of the *Act*?

### **Conclusion**

Based on the above, **in the absence of any evidence or submissions I order the application dismissed with liberty to reapply.** I make no findings on the merits of the matter. Liberty to reapply is not an extension of any applicable limitation period.

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: July 30, 2018

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