

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

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<u>Introduction</u>

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

- cancellation of the landlord's 1 Month Notice to End Tenancy for Cause (the 1 Month Notice) pursuant to section 47; and
- authorization to recover the filing fee for this application from the landlord, pursuant to section 72 of the *Act*.

While the tenant attended the hearing by way of conference call, the landlord did not. The tenant was given a full opportunity to be heard, to present affirmed testimony, to make submissions and to call witnesses.

At the beginning of the hearing the tenant indicated that they had moved out on September 30, 2018. As this tenancy has now come to an end, the tenants' application to cancel the 1 Month Notice was withdrawn by the tenant.

The filing fee is a discretionary award issued by an Arbitrator usually after a hearing is held and the applicant is successful on the merits of the application. As I was not required to make a decision on the merits of this case, I find that the tenants are not entitled to recover the \$100.00 filing fee paid for this application. The tenants must bear the cost of this filing fee, and therefore the tenants' application is dismissed 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: October 22, 2018

Residential Tenancy Branch