

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

<u>Dispute Codes</u> CNR, LRE, MT

<u>Introduction</u>

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

- cancellation of the landlord's 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent (the 10 Day Notice) pursuant to section 46;
- more time to make an application to cancel the landlord's 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent (the 10 Day Notice) pursuant to section 66; and
- authorization to recover the filing fee for this application from the landlord pursuant to section 72.

The hearing was conducted by conference call. The tenant did not attend this hearing, 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 attended the hearing and was given a full opportunity to be heard, to present evidence, and to make submissions.

I confirmed that the correct call-in numbers and participant codes had been provided in the Notice of Hearing. During the hearing, I also confirmed from the online teleconference system that the landlord and I were the only persons who had called into this teleconference.

Rule 7.1 of the Rules of Procedure provides as follows:

7.1 Commencement of the hearing: The hearing must commence at the scheduled time unless otherwise decided by the arbitrator. The arbitrator may

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conduct the hearing in the absence of a party and may make a decision or dismiss the application, with or without leave to re-apply.

Accordingly, in the absence of any evidence or submissions from the applicant tenant, I order the tenant's application dismissed without liberty to reapply. I make no findings on the merits of the matter.

The landlord testified that the tenancy had ended and that the tenant vacated the rental unit on January 31, 2019. Therefore, the landlord provided that an Order of Possession is no longer needed. Based on the foregoing, in dismissing the tenant's application without liberty to reapply, I do not need to consider section 55(1) of the Act, as the issue of the landlord pursuing an Order of Possession has been rendered moot.

Conclusion

The tenant's application is dismissed in its entirety, 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: February 12, 2019	
	Residential Tenancy Branch