Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes **FFL MNDL**

Introduction

This hearing dealt with an application by the landlord under the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the *Act*) for the following:

- A monetary order for unpaid rent and for compensation for damage or loss under the *Act*, *Residential Tenancy Regulation ("Regulation")* or tenancy agreement pursuant to section 67 of the *Act*;
- Authorization to recover the filing fee for this application pursuant to section 72.

The tenant attended the hearing and was given the opportunity to make submissions as well as present affirmed testimony and written evidence. The hearing process was explained, and an opportunity was given to ask questions about the hearing process.

The landlord did not appear at the hearing. I kept the teleconference line open from the scheduled time for the hearing for an additional 28 minutes to allow the landlord the opportunity to call.

The teleconference system indicated only the tenant and I had called into the hearing. I confirmed the correct call-in number and participant code for the landlord had been provided.

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, I dismiss the Application with leave to reapply. This is not an extension of any statutory deadline.

Conclusion

The Application is dismissed with 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: January 16, 2020

Residential Tenancy Branch