



# Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch  
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

## **DECISION**

Dispute Codes      CNR OLC MNDCT DRI

### Introduction

In this dispute, the applicants sought various relief under the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the “Act”). A dispute resolution hearing was scheduled for March 26, 2020.

Preliminary Issue: Absence of Parties and Abandonment of Application

Rule 7.1 of the *Rules of Procedure*, under the *Act*, requires that a hearing start at the scheduled time unless otherwise set by an arbitrator. Further, Rule 7.3 permits an arbitrator to conduct a hearing in the absence of any party, and they may make a decision or dismiss the application, with or without leave to re-apply.

The hearing commenced by way of teleconference at 11:00 AM on March 26, 2020. I dialed into the teleconference at 11:00 AM and monitored the teleconference line until 11:00 AM. Neither party dialed into the teleconference during this time. I confirmed that the correct call-in numbers and participant codes had been provided in the Notice of Dispute Resolution Proceeding.

Having no information regarding the position of the parties, and, based on their absence from the hearing, I find that the application has been abandoned.

### Conclusion

I dismiss the application, with leave to reapply. However, this dismissal does not extend any applicable time limits under the Act. I have not made any findings of fact or law with respect to the application.

This decision is made on authority delegated to me by the Director of the Residential Tenancy Branch under section 9.1(1) of the *Act*.

Dated: March 27, 2020

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