



# Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch  
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding FIRST SERVICE RESIDENTIAL BC  
LTD and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

## DECISION

Dispute Codes      DRI

### Introduction

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

- an order regarding a disputed additional rent increase, pursuant to section 43.

Neither party attended at the appointed time set for the hearing, although I waited until 11:11 a.m. to enable them to participate in this hearing scheduled for 11:00 a.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 7.3 of the Residential Tenancy Branch *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 re-apply.*

Accordingly, **in the absence of anyone attending this hearing, I order the application dismissed with leave to reapply.** I make no findings on the merits of the matter. Leave 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: March 18, 2020

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