

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

<u>Dispute Codes</u> MNDL-S, FFL

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 apply the security deposit to the monetary award pursuant to section 72;
- Authorization to recover the filing fee for this application pursuant to section 72.

The tenant attended the hearing. The hearing process was explained, and an opportunity was given to ask questions about the hearing process.

The tenant stated they were not served with the Notice of Hearing or Application for Dispute Resolution. The tenant said they attended because of an automatically generated reminder notice from the Residential Tenancy Office.

The landlord did not attend the hearing. I kept the teleconference line open from the scheduled time for the hearing for an additional ten 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 tenant was provided.

Rule 7.3 of the Rules of Procedure provides as follows:

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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.

As the applicant did not attend the hearing and in the absence of any evidence or submissions, I order the application dismissed without leave to reapply.

Conclusion

I order the application 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: March 10, 2020	
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