



Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes: MNRL-S, MNDL-S, FFL

Introduction

In this dispute, the applicant sought relief under sections 67 and 72 of the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the “Act”). The applicant applied for dispute resolution on January 1, 2020 and a dispute resolution hearing was held on April 14, 2020.

Preliminary Issue: Non-Attendance of Parties

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 1:30 PM (Pacific Time) on April 14, 2020. I dialed into the teleconference at 1:30 PM and monitored the line until 1:40 PM. 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.

Given the above, and in the absence of any other information regarding this application, I find that the application has been abandoned.

Conclusion

I dismiss the landlord's application, 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 Act.

Dated: April 14, 2020

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