

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

<u>Dispute Codes</u> MNSDS-DR

Introduction

This hearing dealt with the adjourned Direct Request Application filed by the Tenants under the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the "*Act*"). The Tenants applied for the return of their security deposit. The matter was set for a conference call.

Issues to be Decided

- Has there been a breach of Section 38 of the Act by the Landlord?
- Is the Tenant entitled to the return of their security deposit?

Background and Evidence

This hearing was scheduled for a teleconference hearing on this date.

Rule 7.1 of the Rules of Procedure stipulates that the hearing must commence at the scheduled time unless otherwise decided by the Arbitrator. The Arbitrator may conduct the hearing in the absence of a party and may make a decision or dismiss the application, with or without leave to re-apply.

This hearing was scheduled to commence at 9:30 a.m. on July 21, 2020. I called into the teleconference at 9:30 a.m. and monitored the teleconference until 9:41 a.m. Neither the Applicant nor the Respondent called into the teleconference during this time. 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.

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Analysis

I find that the Application for Dispute Resolution has been abandoned.

Conclusion

I dismiss the Application for Dispute Resolution with leave to reapply; however, this does not extend any applicable time limits under the legislation. 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 *Residential Tenancy Act*.

Dated: July 22, 2020

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