



Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes MNSD, MNDCT

Introduction

This hearing was convened by way of conference call in response to an Application for Dispute Resolution filed by the Tenants on April 09, 2020 (the “Application”). The Tenants sought return of the security and/or pet damage deposits and compensation for monetary loss or other money owed.

The Landlord appeared at the hearing. Nobody appeared at the hearing for the Tenants. I waited 10 minutes, until 1:40 p.m., to allow the Tenants to call into the hearing set for 1:30 p.m. The Tenants did not call into the hearing. I asked if there was anybody on the line for the Tenants and nobody answered. I confirmed from the teleconference system that the Landlord and I were the only people who had called into the hearing.

Rule 7.3 of the Rules of Procedure states:

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.

Here, the Tenants did not appear at the hearing. The Landlord did appear to address the Application. In these circumstances, the Application is dismissed without leave to re-apply.

Conclusion

The Application is dismissed without leave to re-apply.

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: August 14, 2020

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