

## **Dispute Resolution Services**

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# Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

### **DECISION**

Dispute Codes ERP, FFT

#### Introduction

This hearing dealt with an application by the tenants under the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the *Act*) for the following:

- An order requiring the landlord to carry out emergency repairs pursuant to section 33;
- An order requiring the landlord to reimburse the tenant for the filing fee pursuant to section 72.

The landlord attended. The tenants did not appear at the hearing. I kept the teleconference line open from the scheduled time for the hearing for an additional eighteen minutes to allow the tenants the opportunity to call. The teleconference system indicated only the landlord and I had called into the hearing. I confirmed the correct call-in number and participant code for the tenants had been provided.

Rule 7.3 of the 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 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.

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## 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: August 21, 2020

Residential Tenancy Branch