

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

## **DECISION**

<u>Dispute Codes</u> MNDCT, MNSDS-DR, FFT

### Introduction

This hearing dealt with two applications submitted by the tenant. The tenant applied for:

- an order for the landlord to return the security deposit, pursuant to section 38;
- a monetary order for compensation for damage or loss under the Act, Residential Tenancy Regulation or tenancy agreement, pursuant to section 67; and
- an authorization to recover the filing fee for both applications, pursuant to section 72.

I left the teleconference connection open until 9:39 A.M. to enable the landlord to call into this teleconference hearing scheduled for 9:30 A.M. The tenant attended and was given a full opportunity to be heard, to present affirmed testimony, to make submissions and to call witnesses. 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 the tenant and I were the only ones who had called into this teleconference.

The tenant affirmed he did not serve the notices of hearing to the respondent in any of the ways described in sections 88 and 89 of the Act. The hearing cannot proceed fairly when the respondent has not been notified of the hearing.

#### Rule of Procedure 3.1 states:

3.1 Documents that must be served with the Notice of Dispute Resolution Proceeding Package

The applicant must, within three days of the Notice of Dispute Resolution Proceeding Package being made available by the Residential Tenancy Branch, serve each respondent with copies of all of the following:

- a) the Notice of Dispute Resolution Proceeding provided to the applicant by the Residential Tenancy Branch, which includes the Application for Dispute Resolution:
- b) the Respondent Instructions for Dispute Resolution;
- c) the dispute resolution process fact sheet (RTB-114) or direct request process fact sheet (RTB-130) provided by the Residential Tenancy Branch; and d) any other evidence submitted to the Residential Tenancy Branch directly or through a Service BC Office with the Application for Dispute Resolution, in accordance with Rule 2.5 [Documents that must be submitted with an Application for Dispute Resolution].

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Based on the foregoing, I dismiss the tenant's application with leave to reapply. Leave to reapply is not an extension of timeline to apply.

As the tenant was not successful, he is not entitled to recover the filing fees.

# Conclusion

I dismiss the tenant's applications 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 *Residential Tenancy Act*.

Dated: November 26, 2020

Residential Tenancy Branch