

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding Nest Property Management and Real Estate Service Ltd. and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

DECISION

Dispute Codes CNC

<u>Introduction</u>

This hearing was convened as a result of the Tenant's Application for Dispute Resolution ("Application") under the *Residential Tenancy Act* ("Act") to cancel a One Month Notice to End Tenancy for Cause dated September 25, 2020.

An agent for the Landlord, B.B. ("Agent"), appeared at the teleconference hearing, but no one attended on behalf of the Tenant. The Tenant was provided with a copy of the Notice of a Dispute Resolution Hearing on October 5, 2020; however, the Tenant did not attend the teleconference scheduled for December 8, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. (Pacific Time). The phone line remained open for over ten minutes and was monitored throughout this time. The only person to call into the hearing was the Respondent Landlord's Agent.

The Agent said that the Tenant had moved out of the residential property, that the Landlord had returned the Tenant's security deposit, and that the Parties' matters had now concluded. The Agent said he did not expect the Tenant to call into the hearing.

Rule 7.1 of the Residential Tenancy Branch Rules of Procedure ("Rules") states that the dispute resolution hearing will commence at the scheduled time unless otherwise set by the arbitrator. The Respondent Landlord and I attended the hearing on time and were ready to proceed, and there was no evidence before me that the Parties had agreed to reschedule or adjourn the matter; accordingly, I commenced the hearing at 9:30 a.m. on December 8, 2020, as scheduled.

Rule 7.3 states that 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. The teleconference line remained open for ten minutes; however, neither the Applicant nor an agent acting on his behalf attended

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to provide any evidence or testimony for my consideration. As a result, and pursuant to Rule 7.3, I dismiss the Tenant's Application without leave to reapply.

Conclusion

The Tenant's Application is dismissed without leave to reapply, as the Tenant or an Agent for the Tenant did not attend the hearing to present the merits of the Application. The Respondent Landlord did attend the hearing.

This Decision does not extend any applicable time limits under the Act.

This Decision will be emailed to the address provided by the Agent during the hearing and mailed to the Tenant's forwarding address provided by the Agent in the hearing.

This Decision is final and binding on the Parties, except as otherwise provided under the Act, and 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: December 08, 2020	
	Residential Tenancy Branch