

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes MNDCT

Introduction

On October 21, 2020, the Tenant submitted an Application for Dispute Resolution under the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the "Act") requesting a Monetary Order for the return of the security deposit. The matter was set for a participatory hearing via conference call.

Preliminary Matters

This hearing was scheduled for a conference call hearing on this date.

Rule 7.1 of the *Residential Tenancy Branch - 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.

The Tenant was emailed a copy of the Notice of Dispute Resolution Proceeding by the Residential Tenancy Branch on October 26, 2020; however, did not attend the teleconference hearing set for today at 1:30 p.m. The only person to call into the hearing was the Landlord who indicated that they were ready to proceed. I confirmed that the correct call-in numbers and participant codes had been provided in the Notice of Dispute Resolution Proceeding. I also confirmed from the teleconference system that the only persons who had called into this teleconference was the Landlord and myself.

After keeping the phone line open for 11 minutes, I dismissed the Tenant's Application without leave to reapply as the Tenant failed to attend the hearing to present the merits of their Application or, at the very least, cancel their scheduled hearing in advance of the hearing.

Analysis

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

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Conclusion

I dismiss the Application for Dispute Resolution without leave to reapply.

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: February	17,	2021
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