



Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes CNR, DRI

Introduction

On March 13, 2021, the Tenant filed an Application for Dispute Resolution under the *Residential Tenancy Act* (“the *Act*”) to cancel a 10-Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent or Utilities (the Notice) issued March 12, 2021, and to dispute a rent increase. The matter was set for a conference call.

The Landlord’s Agent (the “Landlord”) attended the conference call hearing; however, the Tenant did not. As the Tenant is the applicant in this hearing, I find that the Tenant had been duly notified of the Notice of Hearing in accordance with the *Act*.

The Landlord was affirmed to be truthful in their testimony and was provided with the opportunity to present their evidence orally and in written and documentary form and to make submissions at the hearing.

I have reviewed all oral and written evidence before me that met the requirements of the Rules of Procedure. However, only the evidence relevant to the issues and findings in this matter are described in this Decision.

Issues to be Decided

- Should the Notice issued on March 12, 2021, be cancelled?
- If not, is the Landlord entitled to an order of possession?
- Did the Landlord issue an illegal rent increase?

Background and Evidence

This hearing was scheduled for a teleconference hearing on this date.

Rule 7.1 of the Rules of Procedure stipulates that the hearing must commence at the scheduled time unless otherwise decided by the Arbitrator. Rule 7.3 of the Rules of Procedure stipulates that an 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.

I called into the hearing, and the line remained open while the phone system was monitored for ten minutes, and the only participant who called into the hearing during this time was the Landlord. Therefore, as the Tenant did not attend the hearing by 9:40 a.m. and the Landlord appeared and was ready to proceed, I dismiss the Tenant's application without leave to reapply.

The Landlord testified that the Tenant moved out of the rental unit as of May 15, 2021, and that they did not require an order of possession.

Analysis

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

Conclusion

I dismiss the Tenant's Application for Dispute Resolution 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: June 22, 2021

Residential Tenancy Branch