

Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes MNETC, FFT

Introduction

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

- A monetary order in an amount equivalent to twelve times the monthly rent payable under the tenancy agreement under section 51(2) and 67;
- An order requiring the landlord to reimburse the tenant for the filing fee pursuant to section 72.

The tenants ("the tenant") attended the hearing and was given the opportunity to make submissions as well as present affirmed testimony and written evidence. The hearing process was explained, and an opportunity was given to ask questions about the hearing process.

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

The tenant confirmed their email addresses to which the Decision would be sent.

Preliminary Matter - Prohibition Against Recordings

The tenant was cautioned that recordings of the hearing were not permitted pursuant to Rule 6.11 of the *Residential Tenancy Branch Rules*. They confirmed their understanding of the requirement and further confirmed they were not making recordings of the hearing.

Preliminary Matter - Service Upon Landlord

At the outset, the tenant stated they had not served the landlord with the Notice of Hearing and Application for Dispute Resolution in compliance with the Act. They requested their application be withdrawn with leave to reapply.

Accordingly, I dismissed the application with leave to reapply except for the application for reimbursement of the filing fee which is dismissed without leave to reapply.

Conclusion

The application is dismissed 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: January 14, 2022

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