Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes FFT, MNDCT

Introduction

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

- A monetary order for compensation for damage or loss under the *Act*, *Residential Tenancy Regulation ("Regulation")* or tenancy agreement pursuant to section 67 of the *Act*,
- An order requiring the landlord to reimburse the tenant for the filing fee pursuant to section 72.

This matter was set for hearing by telephone conference. The landlord attended the hearing and had opportunity to provide affirmed testimony, present evidence and make submissions. The hearing process was explained.

The landlord testified that they had not been served with any documents by the tenant and had learned of the hearing when they called the RTB.

The tenant did not attend the hearing. I kept the teleconference line open from the scheduled time for the hearing for an additional 11 minutes to allow the tenant the opportunity to call. The teleconference system indicated only the landlord and I had called into the hearing. I confirmed the correct call-in number and participant code for the tenant was provided.

Rule 7.3 of the Rules of Procedure provides as follows:

7.3 Consequences of not attending the hearing – 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.

As the applicant did not attend the hearing and in the absence of any evidence or submissions, I order the application dismissed without leave to reapply.

Conclusion

I order the application dismissed 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: February 28, 2022

Residential Tenancy Branch