



Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes OPC, MNDL, MNDCL, MNRL, FFL

Introduction

Pursuant to section 58 of the Residential Tenancy Act (the Act), I was designated to hear an application regarding the above-noted tenancy. The landlord applied for:

- an order of possession under a One Month Notice to End Tenancy for Cause (the Notice), pursuant to sections 47 and 55;
- a monetary order for unpaid rent, pursuant to section 26;
- a monetary order for loss under the Act, the regulation or tenancy agreement, pursuant to section 67; and
- an authorization to recover the filing fee for this application, under section 72.

The respondent (tenant) called into this teleconference at the date and time set for the hearing of this matter. Although I waited until 11:12 A.M. to enable the applicant (landlord) to connect with this teleconference hearing scheduled for 11:00 A.M., the applicant did not attend.

I confirmed that the correct call-in numbers and participant codes had been provided in the Notice of Hearing. During the hearing, I also confirmed from the online teleconference system that the tenant and I were the only persons who had called into this teleconference.

The tenant affirmed he did not receive the notice of hearing from the landlord. The tenant called the Residential Tenancy Branch (RTB) and received a copy of the notice of hearing from the RTB.

Rules 7.1 and 7.3 of the Rules of Procedure provide as follows:

Rule 7 – During the hearing

7.1 Commencement of the dispute resolution hearing

The dispute resolution hearing will commence at the scheduled time unless otherwise set by the arbitrator.

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 re-apply.

Accordingly, in the absence of any attendance at this hearing by the landlord, I order the landlord's application dismissed with leave to reapply.

The landlord must bear the cost of the filing fee, as the landlord was not successful.

Conclusion

I dismiss the landlord's application 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: June 20, 2022

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