



Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding Vancouver Native Housing Society
and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

DECISION

Dispute Codes MNSD, FFT

Introduction

The Tenant filed an Application for Dispute Resolution on December 23, 2021 seeking:

- A return of the security deposit they paid at the start of the tenancy
- Reimbursement of the Application filing fee.

The matter proceeded by way of a hearing pursuant to s. 74(2) of the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the “Act”) on August 4, 2022.

The Landlord representative who called in to the hearing stated the Tenant did not notify them of this hearing, and they obtained the call information directly from the Residential Tenancy Branch who sent a copy of the notice to them in short order. That representative provided evidence for this hearing.

The Tenant did not attend the hearing, although I left the teleconference hearing connection open until 1:37pm to enable them to call in to this teleconference hearing scheduled for 1:30pm.

I confirmed that the correct call-in numbers and participant codes had been provided in the Notice of Hearing. I also confirmed throughout the duration of the call that the Tenant was not in attendance.

Rule 7.3 of the *Residential Tenancy Branch Rules of Procedure* provides that if a party or their agent fails to attend the hearing, the arbitrator may conduct the hearing in the absence of that party or dismiss the application without leave to re-apply.

Conclusion

As the applicant Tenant did not attend to present their Application, I dismiss this Application. The Landlord's evidence shows they paid the full of the security deposit amount to the Tenant; therefore, I close this matter without leave to reapply. There is no reimbursement of the Application filing fee to the Tenant.

This decision is made on authority delegated to me by the Director of the Residential Tenancy Branch under s. 9.1(1) of the *Act*.

Dated: August 4, 2022

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