

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

<u>Dispute Codes</u> MNDL-S, MNDCL-S, FFL

This was a hearing to deal with an Application for Dispute Resolution that was filed by the landlords under the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the Act) on December 24, 2021, seeking:

- compensation for monetary loss or other money owed, requesting to retain the security and/or pet damage deposit;
- for the tenant to pay to repair the damage that they, their pets, or their guests caused during their tenancy; requesting to retain the security and/or pet damage deposit; and
- the filing fee.

This hearing was reconvened after being adjourned on August 8, 2022. This decision should be read in conjunction with the Interim Decision issued on August 8, 2022.

The hearing teleconference commenced on time at 1:30 p.m. and was attended by the tenant and their spouse; the landlords did not attend the hearing, though the teleconference line remained open for 10 minutes. Those in attendance were affirmed and made aware of Residential Tenancy Branch Rule of Procedure 6.11 prohibiting recording dispute resolution hearings.

Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure provides as follows:

Rule 7.1 Commencement of the hearing

The hearing must commence at the scheduled time unless otherwise decided by the arbitrator.

Rule 7.3 Consequences of not attending the hearing

The arbitrator may conduct the hearing in the absence of a party or dismiss the application, with or without leave to re-apply.

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As the landlord did not attend the hearing to support their claims, I dismiss the landlord's application without leave to reapply, in accordance with Rule 7.

Conclusion

The landlord's application is 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: December 16, 2022

Residential Tenancy Branch