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Residential Tenancy Branch Ministry of Housing

DECISION

Dispute Codes MNDCT, MNETC

Introduction

This hearing was scheduled for 1:30 p.m. on this date, via teleconference call, to deal with the tenant's monetary claims against the landlord.

The landlord appeared at the hearing; however, the tenant did not appear despite waiting at least 10 minutes to enable the tenant to participate in this hearing.

Rules 7.3 and 7.4 of the rules of Procedure provide for the consequences for not appearing at the scheduled hearing, 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 re-apply.

7.4 Evidence must be presented

Evidence must be presented by the party who submitted it, or by the party's agent. If a party or their agent does not attend the hearing to present evidence, any written submissions supplied may or may not be considered.

Since the tenant did not appear to present a basis for the claims against the landlord and evidence to support the claims, I dismiss the tenant's application 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 23, 2023

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