

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch Ministry of Housing

DECISION

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

Introduction

This hearing dealt with an application filed by the landlord pursuant the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the "*Act*") for:

- A monetary order for damages caused by the tenant, their guests to the unit, site
 or property and authorization to withhold a security deposit pursuant to sections
 67 and 38:
- A monetary order for damages or compensation pursuant to section 67; and
- Authorization to recover the filing fee from the other party pursuant to section 72.

The landlord did not attend this hearing, although I left the teleconference hearing connection open until 1:40 P.M. to enable the landlord to call into this teleconference hearing scheduled for 1:30 P.M. I confirmed that the correct call-in numbers and participant codes had been provided in the Notice of Hearing. I also confirmed from the teleconference system that the tenant HZ and I were the only ones who had called into this teleconference.

Rule 7.3 of the Rules of Procedure provides that 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. Rule 7.4 states that 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 to present evidence, any written submissions supplied may or may not be considered.

The landlord did not attend the hearing which was scheduled by conference call at 1:30 p.m. and concluded at 1:40 p.m. As he did not attend, he did not present evidence regarding the merits of his claim for me to consider.

Consequently, I dismiss the landlord's application without leave to reapply.

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As the landlord was not successful in his claim, he will not recover the filing fee.

Conclusion

The landlord's claim 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: March 16, 2023

Residential Tenancy Branch