## **Dispute Resolution Services**



Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding BC HOUSING MANAGEMENT COMMISSION and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

## DECISION

Dispute Codes OPQ

## **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 pursuant to section 55 of the *Act* as a result of the tenant having been overhoused for this subsidized rental unit.

Neither party attended at the appointed time set for the hearing, although I waited until 11:12 a.m.. to enable them to participate in this hearing scheduled for 11:00 a.m. 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 I was the only person who had called into this teleconference.

Rule 10.1 of the Rules of Procedure provides as follows:

**10.1 Commencement of the hearing** The hearing must commence at the scheduled time unless otherwise decided by the arbitrator. The arbitrator may conduct the hearing in the absence of a party and may make a decision or dismiss the application, with or without leave to re-apply.

Accordingly, in the absence of attendance at the hearing by either of the parties, I order the application dismissed with liberty to reapply. I make no findings on the merits of the matter. Liberty to reapply is not an extension of any applicable limitation period.

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: November 02, 2018

Residential Tenancy Branch