

## **Dispute Resolution Services**

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## Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

## DECISION

Dispute Codes MNSD, FFT

Introduction

Pursuant to section 58 of the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the *Act*), I was designated to hear an application regarding he above-noted tenancy. The tenant applied for:

- authorization to obtain a return of all or a portion of their security deposit pursuant to section 38; and
- authorization to recover their filing fee for this application from the landlord pursuant to section 72.

Neither party attended at the appointed time set for the hearing, although I waited un il 9:45 a m. to enable them to par icipate in this hearing scheduled for 9:30 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 hat 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 he scheduled time unless otherwise decided by the arbitrator. The arbitrator may conduct he hearing in the absence of a party and may make a decision or dismiss the applica ion, with or without leave to re-apply.

Accordingly, in the absence of any evidence or submissions I order the application dismissed with liberty to reapply. I make no findings on he 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 09, 2018

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