Dispute Resolution Services



Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes OPT

This hearing dealt with the tenant's application pursuant to the *Manufactured Home Park Tenancy Act* (the "**Act**") for an order of possession of the manufactured home site pursuant to section 47.

The tenant did not attend this hearing, although I left the teleconference hearing connection open until 9:40 am in order to enable the tenant to call into this teleconference hearing scheduled for 9:30 am. The landlord's agent attended the hearing and was given a full opportunity to be heard, to present affirmed testimony, to make submissions and to call witnesses. 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 landlord's agent and I were the only ones who had called into this teleconference.

Rule of Procedure 6.6 states:

6.6 The standard of proof and onus of proof

The standard of proof in a dispute resolution hearing is on a balance of probabilities, which means that it is more likely than not that the facts occurred as claimed.

The onus to prove their case is on the person making the claim. In most circumstances this is the person making the application.

This is the tenant's application. As such, he bears the onus to prove his claim. As he failed to attend the hearing, I find that he has failed to discharge his evidentiary burden to prove that he is entitled to the order sought. Pursuant to Rule of Procedure 7.4, he (or his agent)

must attend the hearing and present his evidence for it to be considered. As this did not occur, I have not considered any of the documentary evidence submitted by the tenant to the Residential Tenancy Branch in advance of the hearing.

I dismiss his claim, with 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 *Manufactured Home Park Tenancy Act*.

Dated: February 28, 2020

Residential Tenancy Branch