# **Tenancy Tribunal Hearing Process**

#### **HEARING OPENING**

Adjudicator opens hearing and introduces themselves. Clerk asks parties to introduce themselves.

#### **INTRODUCTIONS**

Applicant introduces themselves and their witnesses introduce themselves.

Respondent introduces themselves and their witnesses introduce themselves.

Note: The "Applicant" is the person (usually the landlord) who makes the application to the Tenancy Tribunal while the "Respondent" is the person (usually the tenant) who has a tenancy agreement with the "Applicant" and who has to respond to or answer to the application.

Applicant's witnesses leave the room during the submission by the Applicant.

# **APPLICANT'S CASE**

Applicant makes a promise to tell the truth.

Applicant presents their case with

supporting evidence.

Adjudicator may ask questions and Respondent has the right to cross-examine (or question) the Applicant.

APPLICANT'S WITNESS EVIDENCE Applicant's witnesses make a promise to tell the truth and then present their evidence. Adjudicator may ask questions and Respondent has the right to cross-examine (or question) witnesses.

Respondent's witnesses leave the room during the submission by the Respondent.

## RESPONDENT'S CASE

Respondent makes a promise to tell the truth and then presents their case with supporting evidence.

Adjudicator may ask questions and Applicant has the right to cross-examine (or question) the Respondent.

RESPONDENT'S WITNESS EVIDENCE
Respondent's witnesses make a promise to tell the truth and then present their evidence.

Adjudicator may ask questions and Applicant has the right to cross-examine (or question) witnesses.

# **HEARING CONCLUSION**

Adjudicator may ask the Applicant and the Respondent if they have anything further to say.

### **DECISION**

Adjudicator may make a decision at the end of the hearing or they may "reserve" it for a decision later.

Adjudicator will provide decision in writing as an "Order of the Tribunal" which must be complied with by both parties.

