

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

<u>Dispute Codes</u> OPC

Introduction

This hearing was convened in response to an application by the Landlord pursuant to section 55 of the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the "Act") for Orders an Order of Possession. The Landlord and Tenant were each given full opportunity to be heard, to present evidence and to make submissions.

Issue(s) to be Decided

Is the Notice to End Tenancy valid?

Is the Landlord entitled to an Order of Possession?

Background and Evidence

The following is relevant and undisputed evidence: On November 3, 2013, the Landlord served the Tenant in person with a 1 Month Notice to End Tenancy for Cause (the "Notice") by posting the Notice on the door. The Notice has an effective date of December 1, 2013. The Tenant has not filed an application to dispute the Notice and has not moved out of the unit.

<u>Analysis</u>

Section 53 of the Act provides that where a landlord gives notice to end a tenancy effective on an incorrect date, the notice is deemed to be changed to the earliest date that complies with the Act. Accordingly, the effective date of the Notice is automatically changed to December 31, 2013.

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Section 47 of the Act requires that upon receipt of a Notice to end Tenancy for Cause,

the tenant may, within ten days of receiving the notice, dispute the notice by filing an

Application for Dispute Resolution with the Residential Tenancy Branch. If the tenant

does not dispute the Notice, the tenant is conclusively presumed to have accepted that

the tenancy ended on the effective date of the notice and must vacate the unit by that

date. Section 55 of the Act provides that a landlord may request an order of possession

of a rental unit by making an application for dispute resolution where a notice to end the

tenancy has been given by the landlord, the tenant has not disputed the notice by

making an application for dispute resolution and the time for making that application has

expired.

Based on the undisputed evidence I find that the Tenant was validly served with the

Notice on November 3, 2013. As the Tenant has not disputed the Notice and has not

moved out of the unit, I find that the Landlord is entitled to an Order of Possession.

Conclusion

I grant an Order of Possession to the Landlord. The Tenant must be served with this

Order of Possession. Should the Tenant fail to comply with the order, the order may

be filed in the Supreme Court of British Columbia and enforced as an order of that

Court.

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: January 21, 2014

Residential Tenancy Branch