

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding PRANG HOLDINGS LTD. and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

DECISION

Dispute Codes: CNC, OLC

Introduction

This hearing dealt with an application by the tenant for an order to set aside a notice to end tenancy for cause and for an order directing the landlord to comply with the *Act.*. Both parties attended the hearing and had opportunity to be heard. At the hearing the landlord made an oral request for an order of possession in the event that the tenant's application was not successful.

Issue to be Decided

Does the landlord have grounds to end this tenancy?

Background and Evidence

The tenancy began on October 01, 2011. The rent is \$800.00 due on the first of the month.

On June 30, 2014, the landlord served the tenant with a notice to end tenancy for cause. The tenant disputed the notice in a timely manner. The notice to end tenancy was served for the following reason;

Tenant is repeatedly late paying rent

The tenant agreed that she has paid rent late at least three times during the tenancy.

The tenant stated that the landlord did not serve her roommate with a notice to end tenancy. The landlord stated that the tenant was the only person named on the lease.

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<u>Analysis</u>

In order to support the notice to end tenancy, the landlord must prove that the reason for the notice to end tenancy applies. Based on the testimony of both parties, I find that the tenant was repeatedly late paying rent.

Pursuant to section 38 of the *Residential Tenancy Policy Guideline*, three late payments are the minimum number sufficient to justify a notice under these provisions. Since the tenant admitted to paying rent late on at least three occasions, I find that the landlord has proven reason to end the tenancy for cause and accordingly, I uphold the notice to end tenancy.

During the hearing, the landlord made a request under section 55 of the legislation for an order of possession. Under the provisions of section 55(1), upon the request of a landlord, I must issue an order of possession when I have upheld a notice to end tenancy. Accordingly, I so order. The tenant must be served with the 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.

Conclusion

The notice to end tenancy is upheld and I grant the landlord an order of possession effective on or before 1:00 p.m. on September 30, 2014.

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: September 12, 2014

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