

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding PUPPY HOLDINGS INC. and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

DECISION

<u>Dispute Codes</u> CNR, FF

Introduction

This hearing dealt with an Application for Dispute Resolution by the tenant filed under the Residential Tenancy Act, (the "Act"), to cancel a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent or Utilities, issued on February 2, 2015, (the "Notice").

Both parties appeared, gave testimony, and were provided the opportunity to present their evidence orally and in written and documentary form, and to cross-examine the other party, and make submissions at the hearing.

Issue to be Decided

Should the Notice be cancelled?

Background and Evidence

The tenant testified that she received the Notice on February 2, 2015, in person. The tenant stated that rent was not paid in full within 5 days. The tenant stated she informed the landlord that she would be having difficulties paying rent due to personal circumstance; however, the landlord still served her with the Notice.

Analysis

Based on the above, the testimony and evidence, and on a balance of probabilities, I find as follows:

Rules about payment and non-payment of rent

26 (1) A tenant must pay rent when it is due under the tenancy agreement, whether or not the landlord complies with this Act, the regulations or the tenancy

agreement, unless the tenant has a right under this Act to deduct all or a portion of the rent.

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Landlord's notice: non-payment of rent

- 46 (1) A landlord may end a tenancy if rent is unpaid on any day after the day it is due, by giving notice to end the tenancy effective on a date that is not earlier than 10 days after the date the tenant receives the notice.
- (2) A notice under this section must comply with section 52 [form and content of notice to end tenancy].

Upon review of the Notice, I find the Notice is completed in accordance with the requirements of section 52 of the Act.

Although the tenant filed an application for dispute resolution within the time limit permitted under the Act, I find the tenant's application has no merit as the tenant admitted rent was not paid within 5 days after receiving the Notice. Therefore, I dismiss the tenant's application without leave to reapply.

As the tenant was not successful with their application the tenant is not entitled to recover the filing fee from the landlord.

As the tenant's application is dismissed and the landlord requested an order of possession at the hearing, pursuant to section 55 of the Act, I must grant this request.

Order of possession for the landlord

- 55 (1) If a tenant makes an application for dispute resolution to dispute a landlord's notice to end a tenancy, the director must grant an order of possession of the rental unit to the landlord if, at the time scheduled for the hearing,
 - (a) the landlord makes an oral request for an order of possession, and
 - (b) the director dismisses the tenant's application or upholds the landlord's notice.

I find that the landlord is entitled to an order of possession, pursuant to section 55 of the Act, effective **two days** after service on the tenant. This order may be filed in the Supreme Court and enforced as an order of that Court.

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Conclusion

The tenant's application is dismissed. The landlord is granted an order of possession.

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: February 17, 2015

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