

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

# **DECISION**

Dispute Codes CNC, FF, OLC

## <u>Introduction</u>

A hearing was conducted by conference call in the presence of both parties. On the basis of the solemnly affirmed evidence presented at that hearing, a decision has been reached. All of the evidence was carefully considered.

Both parties were given a full opportunity to present evidence and make submissions. Neither party requested an adjournment or a Summons to Testify. Prior to concluding the hearing both parties acknowledged they had presented all of the relevant evidence that they wished to present.

I find that the Application for Dispute Resolution/Notice of Hearing filed by the Tenant was sufficiently served on the landlord by mailing, by registered mail to where the landlord resides on February 6, 2015. With respect to each of the applicant's claims I find as follows:

#### Issue(s) to be Decided

The issues to be decided are as follows:

- a. Whether the tenant is entitled to an order cancelling the Notice to End Tenancy dated February 1, 2015?
- b. Whether the tenant is entitled to an order cancelling the Notice to End Tenancy dated February 6, 2015?
- c. Whether the tenant is entitled to recover the cost of the filing fee?

# Background and Evidence

The tenancy began on March 1, 2013. The tenancy agreement provided that the tenant(s) would pay rent of \$850 per month payable in advance on the first day of each month. The tenant(s) paid a security deposit of \$425 at the start of the tenancy.

The landlord has served two Notices on the tenant. The grounds set out in the Notices are as follows:

## **Grounds for Termination**

The Notice to End Tenancy relies on section 47(1)(b), (c) and (d) of the Residential Tenancy Act. That section provides as follows:

Landlord's notice: cause

47 (1) A landlord may end a tenancy by giving notice to end the tenancy if one or more of the following applies:

. . .

- (b) the tenant is repeatedly late paying rent;
- (c) there are an unreasonable number of occupants in a rental unit;
- (d) the tenant or a person permitted on the residential property by the tenant has(i) significantly interfered with or unreasonably disturbed anotheroccupant or the landlord of the residential property,

### Settlement:

At the end of the hearing the parties reached a settlement and they asked that I record the settlement pursuant to section 63(2) of the Residential Tenancy Act as follows:

- a. The parties mutually agree to end the tenancy on June 30, 2015.
- The parties request that the arbitrator issue an Order for Possession for June 30, 2015.

As a result of the settlement I granted an Order for Possession effective June 30, 2015.

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The tenant must be served with this Order as soon as possible. Should the tenant fail

to comply with this Order, the landlord may register the Order with the Supreme Court of

British Columbia for enforcement.

The Application for Dispute Resolution by the tenant seeks to recover the \$50 filing fee

from the landlord. The parties did not discuss the issue of the cost of the filing fee. In

the circumstances as the parties reached an agreement I determined that it was

appropriate to make an order that the landlord pay to the tenant the half of the cost of

the filing fee or the sum of \$25 such sum may be deducted from future rent.

The tenant is obliged to pay the rent when due while she remains a tenant.

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 19, 2015

Residential Tenancy Branch