

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

## **DECISION**

Dispute Codes CNC, FF

#### <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 one month Notice to End Tenancy was sufficiently served on the Tenant by posting on April 10, 2015. Further I find that the Application for Dispute Resolution/Notice of Hearing was personally served on the landlord on April 13, 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 April 10, 2015?
- b. Whether the tenant is entitled to recover the cost of the filing fee?

#### Background and Evidence

The tenancy began in October 2011. The present rent is \$1550 per month including parking. The tenant paid a security deposit of \$675 and a pet damage deposit of \$675 at the start of the tenancy.

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#### Settlement:

At 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 July 31, 2015 and they request that the arbitrator issue an Order for Possession for that date.
- b. The parties agree that the tenant will contact AU, the Senior Property Manager on all matter relating to this tenancy.

#### Order for Possession:

As a result of the settlement I granted an Order for Possession effective July 31, 2015. The claim to recover the cost of the filing fee is dismissed.

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.

As a courtesy to the parties I have included the provisions of section 56 of the Residential Tenancy Act which provides as follows:

## Application for order ending tenancy early

- **56** (1) A landlord may make an application for dispute resolution to request an order
  - (a) ending a tenancy on a date that is earlier than the tenancy would end if notice to end the tenancy were given under section 47 [landlord's notice: cause], and
  - (b) granting the landlord an order of possession in respect of the rental unit.
  - (2) The director may make an order specifying an earlier date on which a tenancy ends and the effective date of the order of possession only if satisfied, in the case of a landlord's application,

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- (a) the tenant or a person permitted on the residential property by the tenant has done any of the following:
  - (i) significantly interfered with or unreasonably disturbed another occupant or the landlord of the residential property;
  - (ii) seriously jeopardized the health or safety or a lawful right or interest of the landlord or another occupant;
  - (iii) put the landlord's property at significant risk;
  - (iv) engaged in illegal activity that
    - (A) has caused or is likely to cause damage to the landlord's property,
    - (B) has adversely affected or is likely to adversely affect the quiet enjoyment, security, safety or physical well-being of another occupant of the residential property, or
    - (C) has jeopardized or is likely to jeopardize a lawful right or interest of another occupant or the landlord;

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- (v) caused extraordinary damage to the residential property, and
- (b) it would be unreasonable, or unfair to the landlord or other occupants of the residential property, to wait for a notice to end the tenancy under section 47 [landlord's notice: cause] to take effect.
- (3) If an order is made under this section, it is unnecessary for the landlord to give the tenant a notice to end the tenancy.

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: May 25, 2015