

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

<u>Dispute Codes</u> OPT

Introduction

This is an application brought by the tenant requesting an Order of Possession for the tenant.

Some documentary evidence and written arguments have been submitted prior to the hearing. I have thoroughly reviewed all relevant submissions.

The parties were affirmed

Issue(s) to be Decided

At the start of the conference call the applicant/tenant stated that he is abandoning his request for an Order of Possession but wants instead to seek monetary compensation from the landlord.

Background and Evidence

On November 30, 2015 the applicant applied for an Order of Possession; however at today's hearing the applicant states he no longer requires an Order of Possession as he has found new accommodations, and therefore he would like to receive monetary compensation from the landlord instead.

Analysis

Section 4.1 of the Residential Tenancy Branch Rules of Procedure states:

An applicant may amend a claim by:

• completing an Amendment to an Application for Dispute Resolution form; and

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• filing the completed Amendment to an Application for Dispute Resolution form and supporting evidence with the Residential Tenancy Branch

directly or through a Service BC office.

In this case the applicant has not completed or filed an Amendment to an Application for Dispute Resolution Form, and therefore I am unable to deal with the tenants request for

monetary compensation.

If the tenant wishes to proceed with a monetary claim against the landlord the tenant will have to file a separate application for dispute resolution to deal with that matter as it is

now too late to amend this application.

<u>Conclusion</u>

At the hearing the tenant abandoned his request for an Order of Possession and therefore this file has been closed.

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 11, 2016

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