

Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes OPB, MNDC, O, FF

Introduction

This hearing dealt with the landlord's application pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* (*"Act*") for:

- an order of possession for breach of an agreement, pursuant to section 55;
- a monetary order for money owed or compensation for damage or loss under the *Act, Residential Tenancy Regulation* (*"Regulation"*) or tenancy agreement, pursuant to section 67;
- other unspecified remedies; and
- authorization to recover the filing fee for this application, pursuant to section 72.

The landlord and her agent, SD (collectively "landlord") and the tenant and her advocate, RM (collectively "tenant") attended the hearing and were each given a full opportunity to be heard, to present affirmed testimony, to make submissions, and to call witnesses. Both parties confirmed that their agent and advocate had permission to speak on their behalf at this hearing. This hearing lasted approximately 53 minutes in order to allow both parties to fully negotiate a settlement of this matter.

The tenant confirmed receipt of the landlord's application for dispute resolution hearing package. In accordance with sections 89 and 90 of the *Act*, I find that the tenant was duly served with the landlord's application.

The landlord confirmed receipt of five pages of the tenant's written evidence package, not the 41 pages that the tenant said that she submitted by way of email to the landlord on August 10 and 11, 2016. As this matter settled, I do not find it necessary to make findings regarding service of these documents.

<u>Analysis</u>

Pursuant to section 63 of the *Act*, the Arbitrator may assist the parties to settle their dispute and if the parties settle their dispute during the dispute resolution proceedings, the settlement may be recorded in the form of a decision or an order. During the

hearing the parties discussed the issues between them, engaged in a conversation, turned their minds to compromise and achieved a resolution of their dispute.

Both parties agreed to the following final and binding settlement of all issues currently under dispute at this time:

- Both parties agreed that this tenancy will end by 1:00 p.m. on September 30, 2016, by which time the tenant and any other occupants will have vacated the rental unit;
- The tenant agreed to pay the landlord a total of \$3,638.00 for July and August 2016 rent by way of cash to be left at the concierge of the rental building by August 17, 2016;
 - a. The landlord agreed to retrieve the above rent payment from the concierge at the rental building;
- 3. The landlord agreed to bear the cost of the \$100.00 filing fee paid for her application; and
- 4. Both parties agreed that this settlement agreement constitutes a final and binding resolution of the landlord's application at this hearing.

These particulars comprise the full and final settlement of all aspects of this dispute for both parties. Both parties testified at the hearing that they understood and agreed to the above terms, free of any duress or coercion. Both parties testified that they understood and agreed that the above terms are legal, final and binding and enforceable, which settle all aspects of this dispute.

Conclusion

To give effect to the settlement reached between the parties and as advised to both parties during the hearing, I issue the attached Order of Possession to be used by the landlord **only** if the tenant and any other occupants fail to vacate the rental premises by 1:00 p.m. on September 30, 2016. The landlord is provided with this Order in the above terms and the tenant must be served with this Order in the event that the tenant and any other occupants fail to vacate the rental and any other occupants fail to vacate the rental premises by 1:00 p.m. on September 30, 2016. Should the tenant fail to comply with this Order, this Order may be filed and enforced as an Order of the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

In order to implement the above settlement reached between the parties, and as advised to both parties during the hearing, I issue a monetary Order in the landlord's favour in the amount of \$3,638.00. I deliver this Order to the landlord in support of the above agreement for use **only** in the event that the tenant does not abide by condition

#2 of the above agreement. The landlord is provided with this Order in the above terms and the tenant must be served with a copy of this Order as soon as possible after the tenant does not abide by condition #2 of the above agreement. Should the tenant fail to comply with this Order, this Order may be filed in the Small Claims Division of the Provincial Court and enforced as an Order of that Court.

The landlord must bear the cost of the \$100.00 filing fee paid for her application.

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: August 17, 2016

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