

Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes AS CNR

Introduction

This hearing dealt with the tenant's application pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* ("the *Act*") for cancellation of the landlord's 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent ("10 Day Notice") pursuant to section 46 and an order allowing the tenant to assign or sublet because the landlord's permission has been unreasonably withheld pursuant to section 65.

The Applicant/tenant did not attend although the 11:00 am teleconference continued until 11:15 am. The Respondent/landlord attended this hearing and was given a full opportunity to be heard, to present evidence and to make submissions. The landlord testified that a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent was served to the tenant on July 7, 2016 however the landlords had made no formal application with respect to that 10 Day Notice. I accept the landlord's testimony that the tenant was duly served with the 10 Day Notice as evidenced by her application to cancel that 10 Day Notice. At this hearing, the landlord requested an order of possession should the tenant's application be unsuccessful.

With respect to the tenant's failure to attend this hearing, <u>Rule 10.1</u> of the Rules of Procedure provides as follows:

The dispute resolution proceeding must commence at the scheduled time unless otherwise decided by the Arbitrator. The Arbitrator may conduct the dispute resolution proceeding in the absence of a party and may make a decision or dismiss the application, with or without leave to re-apply.

In the absence of the tenant's participation in this hearing to support his application and given the evidence provided at this hearing, **I order the tenant's application dismissed without liberty to reapply.**

Pursuant to section 55, the landlord is entitled to an Order of Possession pursuant to section 55(1) of the Act. Section 55 reads as follows,

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 to the landlord an order of possession of the rental unit if

(a) the landlord's notice to end tenancy complies with section 52 [form and content of notice to end tenancy], and

(b) the director, during the dispute resolution proceeding, dismisses the tenant's application or upholds the landlord's notice.

The tenant made an application to dispute the landlord's notice to end tenancy. The tenant did not attend to support his application. **The landlord is, pursuant to section 55(1), entitled to an Order of Possession.**

Conclusion

I grant an Order of Possession to the landlord effective **two days after service of this Order** on the tenant(s). Should the tenant(s) fail to comply with this Order, this Order may be filed and enforced as an Order of the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

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 24, 2016

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