



Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding Riverwalk Villas Inc.
and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

DECISION

Dispute Codes

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Introduction

This hearing was convened in response to an application by the Landlord pursuant to section 55 of the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the “Act”) for an Order of Possession. Both parties attended the hearing and had an opportunity to be heard.

Issue(s) to be Decided

Is the Notice to End Tenancy valid?

Is the Landlord entitled to an Order of Possession?

Background and Evidence

The following is relevant and undisputed evidence: On August 8, 2016, the Landlord served the Tenant in person with a 1 Month Notice to End Tenancy for Cause (the “Notice”). The Notice has an effective date of September 8, 2016. The Tenant has not filed an application to dispute the Notice and has not moved out of the unit.

Analysis

Section 53 of the Act provides that where a landlord gives notice to end a tenancy effective on an incorrect date, the notice is deemed to be changed to the earliest date that complies with the Act. Accordingly, the effective date of the Notice is automatically changed to September 30, 2016.

Section 47 of the Act requires that upon receipt of a Notice to end Tenancy for Cause, the tenant may, within ten days of receiving the notice, dispute the notice by filing an Application for Dispute Resolution with the Residential Tenancy Branch. If the tenant does not dispute the Notice, the tenant is conclusively presumed to have accepted that the tenancy ended on the effective date of the notice and must vacate the unit by that date. Section 55 of the Act provides that a landlord may request an order of possession of a rental unit by making an application for dispute resolution where a notice to end the tenancy has been given by the landlord, the tenant has not disputed the notice by making an application for dispute resolution and the time for making that application has expired.

Based on the undisputed evidence I find that the Tenant was validly served with the Notice on August 8, 2016. As the Tenant has not disputed the Notice and has not moved out of the unit, I find that the Landlord is entitled to an Order of Possession.

Conclusion

I grant an Order of Possession to the Landlord. The Tenant must be served with this **Order of Possession**. Should the Tenant fail to comply with the order, the order may be filed in the Supreme Court of British Columbia and enforced as an order of that Court.

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: October 31, 2016

Residential Tenancy Branch

