

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

## **DECISION**

## **Dispute Codes**

CNR, RR, FF

#### Introduction

This hearing was scheduled in response to the tenant's Application for Dispute Resolution, in which the tenant applied to cancel a 10 day Notice to end tenancy for unpaid rent issued November 20, 2016, to reduce rent for repairs, services or facilities agreed upon but not provided and to recover the filing fee from the from the cost of this Application for Dispute Resolution.

This matter was set for hearing at 9:00 a.m. on this date.

Residential Tenancy Branch Rules of Procedure provides:

#### 7.1 Commencement of the dispute resolution hearing

The dispute resolution hearing will commence at the scheduled time unless otherwise set by the arbitrator.

#### 7.3 Consequences of not attending the hearing

If a party or their agent fails to attend the hearing, the arbitrator may conduct the dispute resolution hearing in the absence of that party, or dismiss the application, with or without leave to re-apply.

The landlord attended the conference call hearing at the scheduled start time. After 14 minutes the tenants had not entered the conference call hearing.

In the absence of an appearance of the tenants by 9:14 a.m. this application is abandoned and dismissed without leave to reapply.

Section 55(1) of the Act provides:

- **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 10 day Notice ending tenancy must meet the requirements of section 52 of the Act:

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**52** In order to be effective, a notice to end a tenancy must be in writing and must

- (a) be signed and dated by the landlord or tenant giving the notice,
- (b) give the address of the rental unit,
- (c) state the effective date of the notice,
- (d) except for a notice under section 45 (1) or (2) [tenant's notice], state the grounds for ending the tenancy,
- (d.1) for a notice under section 45.1 [tenant's notice: family violence or long-term care], be accompanied by a statement made in accordance with section
- 45.2 [confirmation of eligibility], and
- (e) when given by a landlord, be in the approved form.

The Notice supplied by the tenants is issued in the approved form, it is signed and dated and includes the effective date of the Notice; November 30, 2016. The Notice indicates that \$750.00 rent was owed on November 1, 2016. The landlord confirmed that rent was not paid.

From the evidence before me I find that a Notice ending tenancy in the approved form with the approved content has been issued. Therefore, as the tenants' application is dismissed I find pursuant to section 55(1) of the Act that the landlord must be issued an order of possession.

The landlord has been granted an order of possession that is effective two days after service to the tenant. This order may be served on the tenant, filed with the Supreme Court of British Columbia and enforced as an order of that Court.

## Conclusion

The application is dismissed.

The landlord is entitled to an order of possession.

This decision is final and binding and 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 09, 2017

Residential Tenancy Branch