

Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes CNC

Introduction

This hearing dealt with the tenant's application pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the *Act*) for cancellation of the landlord's 1 Month Notice to End Tenancy for Cause ('1 Month Notice') pursuant to section 47.

The Applicant (tenant) did not attend this hearing, although I waited until 11:15 a.m. in order to enable the tenant to connect with this teleconference hearing scheduled for 11:00 a.m.. The landlord's agent, JZ, attended the hearing and was given a full opportunity to be heard, to present evidence and to make submissions.

The landlord's agents, PV and DV, testified on behalf of the landlord in this hearing and was given full authority by the landlord to do so by the landlord. PV, the primary agent on behalf of the landlord, testified that the landlord delivered the 1 Month Notice to End Tenancy for Cause (the 1 Month Notice) to the tenant in person on December 28, 2016, with an effective date of January 31, 2017. At the hearing, the landlord requested an Order of Possession if the tenant's application for cancellation of the 1 Month Notice was dismissed.

Issues(s) to be Decided

Should the landlord's 1 Month Notice be cancelled? If not, is the landlord entitled to an Order of Possession?

Background and Evidence

Rule 10.1 of the Rules of Procedure provides as follows:

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

Section 55(1) of the Act 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

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(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.

<u>Analysis</u>

In the absence of any evidence or submissions from the applicant, I order the tenant's application dismissed without liberty to reapply.

A copy of the 1 Month Notice was submitted by the landlord for this hearing, and I find that the landlord's 1 Month Notice complies with section 52 of the *Act*, which states that the Notice 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, and (e) when given by a landlord, be in the approved form.

Conclusion

I dismiss the tenant's application without leave to reapply. I find that the landlord's 1 Month Notice is valid and effective as of January 31, 2017.

I grant an Order of Possession to the landlord effective two **days after service of this Order** on the tenant. 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.

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: February 22, 2017

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