

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes CNR, OLC

Introduction

This hearing dealt with the tenant's Application for Dispute Resolution seeking to cancel a notice to end tenancy.

The hearing was conducted via teleconference and was attended by the landlord.

Despite keeping the conference call lines open for 10 minutes the applicant tenant did not attend this hearing based on her Application seeking to cancel a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent.

I note that Section 55 of the *Residential Tenancy Act (Act)* requires that when a tenant submits an Application for Dispute Resolution seeking to cancel a notice to end tenancy issued by a landlord I must consider if the landlord is entitled to an order of possession if the Application is dismissed and the landlord has issued a notice to end tenancy that is compliant with the *Act*.

Issue(s) to be Decided

The issues to be decided are whether the tenant is entitled to cancel a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent, pursuant to Sections 46 of the *Act*.

Should the tenant be unsuccessful in seeking to cancel the 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent it must also be decided if the landlord is entitled to an order of possession pursuant to Section 55(1) of the *Act*.

Background and Evidence

The landlord submitted into evidence a copy of a tenancy agreement signed by the parties on November 4, 2016 for a month to month tenancy beginning on November 4, 2016 for the monthly rent of \$800.00 due on the 1st of each month with a security deposit of \$400.00 paid.

The tenant submitted into evidence a copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent issued by the landlord on January 10, 2017 with an effective vacancy date of January 20, 2017 citing the tenant had failed to pay rent in the amount of \$800.00 that was due on January 10, 2017.

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Analysis

Section 46 of the *Act* states a landlord may end a tenancy if rent is unpaid on any day after the day it is due, by giving notice to end the tenancy on a date that is not earlier than 10 days after the date the tenant receives the notice. A notice under this section must comply with Section 52 of the *Act*.

In the absence of the applicant tenant I dismiss the tenant's Application for Dispute Resolution in its entirety.

Section 52 of the *Act* requires that any notice to end tenancy issued by a landlord must be signed and dated by the landlord; give the address of the rental unit; state the effective date of the notice, state the grounds for ending the tenancy; and be in the approved form.

I find the 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent issued by the landlord on January 10, 2017 complies with the requirements set out in Section 52.

Section 55(1) of the *Act* states that if a tenant applies to dispute a landlord's notice to end tenancy and their Application for Dispute Resolution is dismissed or the landlord's notice is upheld the landlord must be granted an order of possession if the notice complies with all the requirements of Section 52 of the *Act*.

Conclusion

Pursuant to Section 55(1) of the *Act*, I find the landlord is entitled to an order of possession effective **two days after service on the tenant**. This order must be served on the tenant. If the tenant fails to comply with this order the landlord may file the order with the Supreme Court of British Columbia and be 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: February 07, 2017

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