

Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding UNITED REVENUE PROPERTIES LTD. and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

DECISION

Dispute Codes OPC

Introduction

This hearing dealt with the landlords' application pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* (*"Act*") for an Order of Possession for cause pursuant to section 55.

The tenant did not attend this hearing, which lasted approximately 10 minutes. The landlord attended the hearing and was given a full opportunity to be heard, to present affirmed testimony, to make submissions and to call witnesses.

The landlord testified that a 1 Month Notice to End Tenancy for Cause (the "1 Month Notice"), dated January 27, 2017 was served personally on the tenant on that date. In accordance with section 88 of the *Act*, I find that the tenant was served with the landlord's 1 Month Notice on January 27, 2017.

The landlord testified that the landlord's application for dispute resolution dated February 10, 2017 was personally served on the tenant on that same date. I find that the tenant was served with the landlord's application and evidentiary materials on February 10, 2017 in accordance with sections 88 and 89 of the *Act*.

Issue(s) to be Decided

Is the landlord entitled to an order of possession for cause?

Background and Evidence

The landlord provided undisputed testimony regarding the following facts. This monthto-month tenancy began sometime in 2015. The current monthly rent is \$450.00 payable on the first of each month. No security deposit was paid by the tenant.

<u>Analysis</u>

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The landlord provided undisputed evidence at this hearing, as the tenant did not attend.

Section 47 of the *Act* provides that upon receipt of a notice to end tenancy for cause, the tenant may, within 10 days, dispute the notice by filing an application for dispute resolution with the Residential Tenancy Branch. I find that the tenant has failed to file an application for dispute resolution within the 10 days of service granted under section 47(4) of the *Act*. Accordingly, I find that the tenant is conclusively presumed under section 47(5) of the *Act* to have accepted that the tenancy ended on the effective date of the 1 Month Notice, February 28, 2017.

I find that the landlord's 1 Month Notice meets the form and content requirements of section 52 of the *Act* as it is in the approved form and clearly identifies the parties, the address of the rental unit, the effective date of the notice and the reasons for ending the tenancy. Therefore, I find that the landlord is entitled to an Order of Possession pursuant to section 55 of the *Act*. As the effective date of the 1 Month Notice has passed, I issue a 2 day Order of Possession.

Conclusion

I grant an Order of Possession to the landlord effective **2 days after service on the tenant(s)**. Should the tenant(s) or any occupant on the premises 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: March 13, 2017

Residential Tenancy Branch