

Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes CNL

Introduction

This hearing dealt with the tenant's application pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* ("*Act*") for:

• cancellation of the landlord's 2 Month Notice to End Tenancy for Landlord's Use of Property, dated March 1, 2017 ("2 Month Notice"), pursuant to section 49.

Both parties attended the hearing and were each given a full opportunity to be heard, to present affirmed testimony, to make submissions, and to call witnesses. This hearing lasted approximately 29 minutes in order to allow both parties to negotiate a full settlement of this application.

The landlord confirmed receipt of the tenant's application for dispute resolution hearing package. In accordance with sections 89 and 90 of the *Act*, I find that the landlord was duly served with the tenant's application.

The tenant confirmed receipt of the landlord's 2 Month Notice. A copy of the notice was not provided for this hearing. Both parties agreed that the effective move-out date on the notice is May 1, 2017. In accordance with sections 88 and 90 of the *Act*, I find that the tenant was duly served with the landlord's 2 Month Notice.

Pursuant to section 64(3)(c) of the *Act*, I amend the tenant's application to correct the spelling of the landlord's surname. The landlord consented to this amendment request by the tenant.

Analysis

Pursuant to section 63 of the *Act*, the Arbitrator may assist the parties to settle their dispute and if the parties settle their dispute during the dispute resolution proceedings, the settlement may be recorded in the form of a decision and orders. During the hearing, the parties discussed the issues between them, turned their minds to compromise and achieved a resolution of their dispute.

Both parties agreed to the following final and binding settlement of all issues currently under dispute at this time:

- 1. Both parties agreed that this tenancy will end by 1:00 p.m. on June 30, 2017, by which time the tenant and any other occupants will have vacated the rental unit;
- 2. Both parties agreed that this tenancy is ending pursuant to the landlord's 2 Month Notice, dated March 1, 2017;
- 3. The landlord agreed that the tenant is entitled to one month's free rent compensation pursuant to section 51 of the *Act* and the landlords' 2 Month Notice, on the following term:
 - a. The landlord agreed that the tenant is not required to pay any rent to the landlord for the period from June 1 to 30, 2017;
- 4. Both parties agreed that the tenant will pay the landlord cash of \$500.00 for outstanding April 2017 rent, by June 1, 2017 and the landlord will provide the tenant with a receipt for the above rent payment;
- 5. Both parties agreed that the tenant is required to pay rent of \$1,000.00 to the landlord by May 1, 2017 for the period from May 1 to 31, 2017;
- 6. The tenant agreed that this settlement agreement constitutes a final and binding resolution of her application.

These particulars comprise the full and final settlement of all aspects of this dispute for both parties. Both parties affirmed at the hearing that they understood and agreed to the above terms, free of any duress or coercion. Both parties affirmed that they understood and agreed that the above terms are legal, final, binding and enforceable, which settle all aspects of this dispute.

Conclusion

To give effect to the settlement reached between the parties and as advised to both parties during the hearing, I issue the attached Order of Possession to be used by the landlord **only** if the tenant and any other occupants fail to vacate the rental premises by 1:00 p.m. on June 30, 2017. The tenant must be served with this Order in the event that the tenant and any other occupants fail to vacate the rental premises by 1:00 p.m. on June 30, 2017. 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.

In order to implement the above settlement reached between the parties, and as advised to both parties during the hearing, I issue a monetary Order in the landlord's favour in the amount of \$500.00, the current amount owing for rent for this tenancy. I

deliver this Order to the landlord in support of the above agreement for use **only** in the event that the tenant fails to abide by condition #4 of the above agreement. The tenant must be served with a copy of this Order. Should the tenant fail to comply with this Order, this Order may be filed in the Small Claims Division of the Provincial Court and enforced as an Order of that Court.

As advised to the landlord during the hearing, if the tenant fails to pay the landlord \$1,000.00 by May 1, 2017 as per condition #5 above, the landlord can file an application at the Residential Tenancy Branch for a monetary order for the amount owing for May 2017 rent. As this is a future rent amount that is not currently due to the landlord, I cannot issue a monetary order for that amount at this hearing.

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: April 28, 2017

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