## **Dispute Resolution Services**



Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding MEICOR REALTY MANAGEMENT SERVICES and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy] DECISION

Dispute Codes OPC

## **Introduction**

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

• an order of possession for cause, pursuant to section 55.

The landlord's agent ("landlord") and the tenant attended the hearing and were each given a full opportunity to be heard, to present affirmed testimony, to make submissions, and to call witnesses. The landlord confirmed that she was the on-site manager for the landlord company named in this application and that she had authority to speak on its behalf as an agent at this hearing. This hearing lasted approximately 22 minutes in order to allow both parties to fully negotiate a settlement of this claim.

The tenant confirmed receipt of the landlord's application for dispute resolution package and the landlord confirmed receipt of the tenant's written evidence. In accordance with sections 88, 89 and 90 of the *Act*, I find that the tenant was duly served with the landlord's application and the landlord was duly served with the tenant's written evidence.

## <u>Settlement</u>

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 an order. 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 this tenancy will end by 1:00 p.m. on September 30, 2017, by which time the tenant and any occupants will have vacated the rental unit;

- 2. The landlord agreed that the landlord's 1 Month Notice, dated April 29, 2017, is cancelled and of no force or effect;
- 3. The landlord agreed that this settlement agreement constitutes a final and binding resolution of the landlord's application at this hearing.

These particulars comprise a final settlement of all aspects of this dispute. Both parties affirmed that they understood and agreed to the above settlement terms, free of any duress or coercion. Both parties affirmed that they understood that the settlement terms are legal, final, binding and enforceable, settling all aspects of this dispute.

I reconfirmed a number of times during the hearing with the tenant that he did not feel pressured to make this settlement agreement. I notified the tenant that if he felt pressured, he should not settle this matter and I would make a decision after having a hearing and getting testimony from both parties. The tenant confirmed that he wanted to settle of his own free will and that he wanted to leave the rental unit because of his issues with the landlord.

## **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 September 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 September 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. The landlord's 1 Month Notice, dated April 29, 2017, is cancelled and of no force or effect.

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: August 03, 2017

Residential Tenancy Branch