

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding 1005428 BC LTD. AND TOP PRODUCERS REALTY and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

DECISION

<u>Dispute Codes</u> OPL, MNDC, FF, MT, CNL

<u>Introduction</u>

This hearing dealt with applications from both the landlord and the tenant under the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the *Act*). The landlord applied for:

- an order of possession for landlord's use of property pursuant to section 55;
- a monetary order for money owed or compensation for damage or loss under the *Act*, regulation or tenancy agreement pursuant to section 67;
- authorization to retain all or a portion of the tenant's security deposit in partial satisfaction of the monetary order requested pursuant to section 38;
- authorization to recover its filing fee for this application from the tenant pursuant to section 72.

The tenant applied for:

- more time to make an application to cancel the landlord's 2 Month Notice to End Tenancy for Landlord's Use (the 2 Month Notice) pursuant to section 66;
- cancellation of the landlord's 2 Month Notice to End Tenancy for Landlord's Use of Property (the 2 Month Notice) pursuant to section 49;

This matter was set for a conference call hearing at 9:00 a.m. on this date. The landlord's agent attended the hearing via conference call and provided undisputed affirmed testimony. The tenant did not attend or submit any documentary evidence.

I waited until 11 minutes past the start of the scheduled hearing time in order to enable both parties to connect with this teleconference hearing.

Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure provides that:

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7.1 Commencement of the dispute resolution hearing

The dispute resolution hearing will commence at the scheduled time unless otherwise set by the arbitrator.

7.2 Delay in the start of a hearing

In the event of a delay of a start of a conference call hearing, each party must stay available on the line to commence the hearing for 30 minutes after the time scheduled for the start of the hearing.

In the event of a delay of a face-to-face hearing, unless otherwise advised, the parties must remain available to commence the hearing at the hearing location for 30 minutes after the time scheduled for the start of the hearing.

7.3 Consequences of not attending the hearing

If a party or their agent fails to attend the hearing, the arbitrator may conduct the dispute resolution hearing in the absence of that party, or dismiss the application, with or without leave to re-apply.

7.4 Evidence must be presented

Evidence must be presented by the party who submitted it, or by the party's agent. If a party or their agent does not attend the hearing to present evidence, any written submissions supplied may or may not be considered.

At the outset, the landlord's agent stated that he is cancelling the application for dispute as the tenant had already vacated the rental premises on September 31, 2017.

Accordingly, in the absence of any evidence or submissions from the tenant and in the absence of the tenant's participation in this hearing, I order the tenant's application dismissed without leave to reapply. I make no findings on the merits of the matter. The landlord's application is cancelled as the landlord no longer requires any action.

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: October 20, 2017

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