

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

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Introduction

On December 12, 2017, the Landlord submitted an Application for Dispute Resolution for an early end of tenancy and an order of possession for the rental unit. The matter was scheduled as teleconference hearing.

The Landlord and the Tenant attended the hearing. Both parties were provided the opportunity to present their evidence orally and in written and documentary form, and to make submissions at the hearing.

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Preliminary and Procedural Matters

Section 56 of the *Act* states that a Landlord may make an application for dispute resolution to request an order to end a tenancy on a date that is earlier than the tenancy would end if notice to end the tenancy were given under section 47 and granting the Landlord an order of possession in respect of the rental unit. If an order is made under this section, it is unnecessary for the Landlord to give the Tenant a notice to end the tenancy.

Under section 56 of the Act, the director may end a tenancy and issue an order of possession only if satisfied, in the case of a Landlord's application, the Tenant or a person permitted on the residential property by the Tenant has done any of the following:

 significantly interfered with or unreasonably disturbed another occupant or the landlord of the residential property;

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- seriously jeopardized the health or safety or a lawful right or interest of the landlord or another occupant;
- put the landlord's property at significant risk;
- engaged in illegal activity that has caused or is likely to cause damage to the landlord's property,
- has adversely affected or is likely to adversely affect the quiet enjoyment, security, safety or physical well-being of another occupant of the residential property, or
- has jeopardized or is likely to jeopardize a lawful right or interest of another occupant or the landlord;
- caused extraordinary damage to the residential property, and,
- it would be unreasonable, or unfair to the landlord or other occupants of the residential property, to wait for a notice to end the tenancy under section 47 to take effect.

Background

The Landlord testified that the tenancy began on August 1, 2017, as fixed term tenancy. The Landlord testified that rent in the amount of \$1,350.00 is due by the first day of each month. The Landlord testified that the Tenant paid a security deposit of \$675.00 and a pet damage deposit of \$300.00.

The Landlord applied for an early end of tenancy and an order of possession for the rental unit.

Settlement Agreement

During the hearing, the parties agreed to settle this matter, on the following conditions:

- 1. The parties agree that the tenancy will end on March 31, 2018, at 1:00 p.m.
- 2. The Landlord is granted an order of possession effective **March 31, 2018, at 1:00 p.m.** The Landlord must serve the Tenant with the order of possession.
- 3. The Landlord withdraws his application in full as part of this mutually settled agreement.
- 4. The Tenant agrees to pay the rent when it is due under the tenancy agreement.
- 5. The parties agree to respect their rights and obligations regarding quiet peaceful enjoyment of the rental property.

This settlement agreement was reached in accordance with section 63 of the Act.

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The opportunity for settlement was discussed with the parties during the hearing. The parties were advised there is no obligation to resolve the dispute through settlement, but that I could assist the parties to reach an agreement. I indicated on several occasions that if either party did not wish to resolve this matter through a mutually agreed settlement, I was prepared to hear their evidence and make a decision.

Conclusion

I order the parties to comply with the terms of their mutually settled agreement described above.

The Landlord has been granted an order of possession effective March 31, 2018, at 1:00 p.m. This order must be served on the Tenant and may be filed in the Supreme Court of British Columbia and 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: January 10, 2018

Residential Tenancy Branch