

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes CNC ERP RP LRE PSF FFT

Introduction

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

- cancellation of the landlord's 1 Month Notice to End Tenancy for Cause (the 1 Month Notice) pursuant to section 47;
- an order to the landlord to make repairs to the rental unit pursuant to section 33;
- an order to suspend or set conditions on the landlord's right to enter the rental unit pursuant to section 70;
- an order to allow the tenants to reduce rent for repairs, services or facilities agreed upon but not provided, pursuant to section 65; and
- authorization to recover the filing fee for this application from the landlord, pursuant to section 72 of the *Act*.

While the landlord attended the hearing by way of conference call, the tenants did not. I waited until 9:40 a.m. to enable the tenants to participate in this scheduled hearing for 9:30 a.m. The landlord was given a full opportunity to be heard, to present affirmed testimony, to make submissions and to call witnesses.

The landlord testified in this hearing that he had personally served the 1 Month Notice to the tenants on January 23, 2018. The landlord provided a proof of service in their evidence. In accordance with section 88 of the *Act*, I find the tenants duly served with the 1 Month Notice.

Rule 7.3 of the Rules of Procedure provides as follows:

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.

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In the absence of any evidence or submissions from the applicant, I order the tenants' entire application dismissed without liberty to reapply.

Section 55(1) of the *Act* reads as follows:

- 55 (1) If a tenant makes an application for dispute resolution to dispute a landlord's notice to end a tenancy, the director must grant to the landlord an order of possession of the rental unit if
 - (a) the landlord's notice to end tenancy complies with section 52 [form and content of notice to end tenancy], and
 - (b) the director, during the dispute resolution proceeding, dismisses the tenant's application or upholds the landlord's notice

Based on my decision to dismiss the tenants' application for dispute resolution and pursuant to section 55(1) of the *Act*, I find that this tenancy ended on the effective date of the 1 Month Notice, February 28, 2018. I find that the landlord is entitled to a 2 day Order of Possession. The landlord will be given a formal Order of Possession which must be served on the tenant(s). If the tenant(s) do not vacate the rental unit within the 2 days required, the landlord may enforce this Order in 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: April 5, 2018

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