Dispute Resolution Services



Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding OJ REALTY & PROPERTY MANAGEMENT INC and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

DECISION

Dispute Codes CNC, FFT

Introduction

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

- cancellation of the landlord's 1 Month Notice to End Tenancy for Cause, dated July 31, 2018 ("1 Month Notice"), pursuant to section 47; and
- authorization to recover the filing fee for this application, pursuant to section 72.

The landlord's agent ("landlord"), the two tenants (male and female) and the tenants' advocate 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 senior property manager for the landlord company named in this application and that she had permission to speak on its behalf as an agent. The male tenant confirmed that he had permission to speak on behalf of the female tenant and that the tenants' advocate had permission to speak on both tenants' behalf at this hearing. This hearing lasted approximately 25 minutes.

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

The tenants were in receipt of the landlord's 1 Month Notice. In accordance with sections 88 and 90 of the *Act*, I find that both tenants were duly served with the landlord's 1 Month Notice.

<u>Analysis</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 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 this tenancy will end by 1:00 p.m. on October 31, 2018, by which time the tenants and any other occupants will have vacated the rental unit;
- 2. The landlord agreed that the landlord's 1 Month Notice, dated July 31, 2018, was cancelled and of no force or effect;
- 3. The landlord agreed to reimburse the tenants for the \$100.00 filing fee paid for this application by way of reducing their rent due to the landlord for October 2018 by \$100.00 so they only owe \$600.00 to the landlord for that month;
- 4. The tenants agreed that this settlement agreement constitutes a final and binding resolution of their 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.

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(s) and any other occupants fail to vacate the rental premises by 1:00 p.m. on October 31, 2018. The tenant(s) must be served with this Order in the event that the tenant(s) and any other occupants fail to vacate the rental premises by 1:00 p.m. on October 31, 2018. Should the tenant(s) 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 July 31, 2018, is cancelled and of no force or effect.

I order the tenants to deduct \$100.00 from their rent due to the landlord for October 2018.

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: September 24, 2018

Residential Tenancy Branch