

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

<u>Dispute Codes</u> CNR, FFT

Introduction

This hearing dealt with the tenants' Application for Dispute Resolution (the Application) pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the *Act*) for:

- cancellation of the landlord's 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent (the 10 Day Notice) pursuant to section 46; and
- authorization to recover the filing fee for this application from the landlord pursuant to section 72.

The tenants did not attend this hearing, although I waited until 9:42 a.m. in order to enable the tenant to connect with this teleconference hearing scheduled for 9:30 a.m.

The landlord's agent (the landlord) attended the hearing and was given a full opportunity to be heard, to present sworn testimony, to make submissions and to call witnesses.

Rules 7.1 and 7.3 of the Rules of Procedure provides as follows:

Commencement of the hearing - The hearing must commence at the scheduled time unless otherwise decided by the arbitrator. The arbitrator may conduct the hearing in the absence of a party and may make a decision or dismiss the application, with or without leave to re-apply.

The landlord testified that the tenants vacated the rental unit on August 05, 2018, and that they have possession of the rental unit

<u>Analysis</u>

In the absence of any evidence or submissions from the applicant, I order the Application dismissed, without liberty to reapply.

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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 an order of possession of the rental unit to the landlord if, at the time scheduled for the hearing,

(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.

Pursuant to section 55 of the *Act*, if I dismiss the tenant's application to cancel a notice to end tenancy, the landlord is entitled to an order of possession if the notice meets the requirements of section 52 of the *Act*.

As the landlord testified that that the tenant has vacated the rental unit and that they have possession of the rental unit, I do not issue an Order of Possession.

Conclusion

I dismiss the Application, without leave to reapply.

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 05, 2018

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