

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

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# Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

# **DECISION**

<u>Dispute Codes</u> CNC MNDC OLC PSF FF

## Introduction

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

- cancellation of the landlord's One Month Notice to End Tenancy for Cause (the One Month Notice) pursuant to section 47;
- a monetary order for compensation for damage or loss under the Act, regulation or tenancy agreement pursuant to section 67;
- an order requiring the landlord to comply with the Act, regulation or tenancy agreement pursuant to section 62;
- an order to the landlord to provide services or facilities required by law pursuant to section 65;
- authorization to recover the filing fee for this application from the landlord pursuant to section 72.

All named parties attended the hearing.

# <u>Preliminary Issue – Scope of Application</u>

Residential Tenancy Branch Rules of Procedure, Rule 2.3 states that, if, in the course of the dispute resolution proceeding, the Arbitrator determines that it is appropriate to do so, the Arbitrator may sever or dismiss the unrelated disputes contained in a single application with or without leave to apply.

Aside from the tenant's application to cancel the Notice to End Tenancy, I am exercising my discretion to dismiss the remainder of the issues identified in the tenants' application with leave to reapply as these matters are not related. Leave to reapply is not an extension of any applicable time limit.

#### Settlement of dispute relating to One Month Notice

Pursuant to section 63 of the Act, an arbitrator may assist the parties to settle their dispute and if the parties settle their dispute during the dispute resolution proceedings, the settlement may

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be recorded in the form of a decision or an order. The parties expressed an interest and were successful in resolving the dispute relating to the Notice to End Tenancy by mutual agreement under the following final and binding terms:

- The tenants and landlord reached a mutual agreement to end this tenancy no later than 1:00 p.m. on September 30, 2019, and, the landlord will be granted an Order of Possession effective this date.
- 2. The tenants may end the tenancy before September 30, 2019 by providing the landlord at least 10 day's written notice to end the tenancy. If the effective date of the tenants notice is prior to months end and the rent for that month has been paid in full, the landlord agrees to reimburse the tenants on a pro-rated basis from the effective date to the end of the month.

Each party confirmed that this agreement was reached voluntarily and that they understood the terms of the agreement. The parties agreed that these particulars comprise the full and final settlement of the dispute relating to the Notice to End Tenancy.

### Filing Fee

As the parties reached a settlement to this dispute, I order that the parties split the cost of the filing fee for this application. Therefore, the tenants are permitted to deduct \$50.00 from the rent payable on August 1, 2019 to satisfy reimbursement of half the \$100.00 filing fee.

This Decision and Settlement Agreement is final and binding on both parties.

#### Conclusion

I grant an Order of Possession to the landlord effective 1:00 p.m. on September 30, 2019. 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.

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: July 16, 2019

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