

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes MT, CNR

<u>Introduction</u>

I was designated to hear this matter pursuant to section 58 of the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the *Act*). The Applicant/tenant applied for

- more time to make an application to cancel the landlord's 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent (the 10 Day Notice) pursuant to section 66; and
- cancellation of the landlord's 10 Day Notice pursuant to section 46.

The Respondent called into this teleconference hearing at the date and time set for the hearing of this matter. The Applicant did not, although I waited until 11:15 a.m. to enable them to connect with this teleconference hearing scheduled for 11:00 a.m. I confirmed that the correct call-in numbers and participant codes had been provided in the Notice of Hearing. During the hearing, I also confirmed from the online teleconference system that the Respondent and I were the only persons who had called into this teleconference.

Rule 10.1 of the Rules of Procedure provides as follows:

10.1 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.

Accordingly, in the absence of any attendance at this hearing by the Applicant I order the application dismissed without liberty to reapply.

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

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

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(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.

During the course of the hearing, I noted that neither the landlord nor the tenant had entered into written evidence a copy of the 10 Day Notice. Without a copy of that Notice before me, I advised the landlord that I would be unable to confirm whether the landlord's 10 Day Notice complied with the requirements of section 52 of the *Act*. While we waited for the tenant to connect with this hearing, the landlord entered into the Residential Tenancy Branch's Service Portal a copy of the 10 Day Notice.

I am satisfied that the landlord's 10 Day Notice that the landlord entered into written evidence at my direction was on the proper RTB form and complied with the content requirements of section 52 of the *Act*. For these reasons, 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. Should the tenant 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: September 09, 2019

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