

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

<u>Dispute Codes</u> OPC, FFT, MNDL-S

<u>Introduction</u>

This hearing dealt with an application by the landlord under the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the *Act*) for the following:

- An order for possession under a One Month Notice to End Tenancy for Cause ("One Month Notice") pursuant to sections 47 and 55;
- Authorization to retain all or a portion of the tenant's security deposit in partial satisfaction of the monetary order requested pursuant to section 72 of the Act;
- A monetary order for unpaid rent and for compensation for damage or loss under the Act, Residential Tenancy Regulation ("Regulation") or tenancy agreement pursuant to section 67 of the Act;
- Authorization to recover the filing fee for this application pursuant to section 72.

Both parties attended the hearing and had full opportunity to provide affirmed testimony, present evidence, cross examine the other party, and make submissions.

The tenant acknowledged receipt of the landlord's Notice of Hearing and Application for Dispute Resolution. Neither party raised issues of service. I find the landlord served the tenant pursuant to section 89 of the *Act*.

The tenant clarified that she is known by a name in addition to the name under which the application was filed. The proceedings were accordingly amended to reflect the additional known name of the tenant.

The hearing process was explained, and each party had the opportunity to ask questions. The hearing lasted 58 minutes.

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Both parties had an opportunity to be heard, to present their affirmed testimony and to make submissions.

Before the conclusion of this hearing, the parties discussed the issues between them, engaged in a conversation, turned their minds to compromise, and achieved a resolution of their dispute.

Pursuant to section 63 of the *Act*, the Arbitrator may assist the parties to settle their dispute and if the parties do so during the dispute resolution proceedings, the settlement may be recorded in the form of a Decision or an Order.

Given the agreement reached between the parties during the proceedings, I find that the parties have settled their dispute and the following records this settlement as a Decision:

The parties agreed as follows:

- 1. The tenancy between the parties will end at 1:00 PM on March 16, 2020, by which time the tenant and any other occupants will return vacant possession of the rental unit to the landlord.
- 2. The landlord is awarded \$100.00 for reimbursement of the filing fee and may deduct the award from the security deposit of \$500.00 which the landlord holds.
- 3. The landlord's claim for a monetary award for outstanding rent and damages and authorization to retain the security deposit is dismissed with leave to reapply.

Both parties testified that they understood and agreed that the above terms are final, binding, and enforceable, and settle all aspects of this application.

The parties are still bound by all the rights, responsibilities, terms, conditions and any statutory compensation provisions of the tenancy agreement, the *Act*, and the associated regulations.

Based on the above, I find that all matters between these parties raised in this application are resolved pursuant to the above agreed terms.

To give effect to the settlement reached between the parties and as advised to both parties during the hearing, I issue the following orders

 I issue to the landlord an Order of Possession dated March 16, 2020 to be served on the tenant ONLY if the tenant fails to abide by the terms set out in this settlement agreement. Should the landlord be required to serve this Order on the tenant and should the tenant or anyone occupying the premises fail to comply with this Order, this Order may be filed and enforced as an Order of the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

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2. I issue to the landlord a Monetary Order in the amount of \$100.00 which the landlord is authorized to retain from the security deposit of \$500.00 which is held by the landlord.

Conclusion

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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: March 09, 2020	
	Residential Tenancy Branch