

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes CNC, MNDCT, OLC

Introduction

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

- 1. cancellation of the One Month Notice to End Tenancy for Cause, pursuant to section 47;
- 2. a Monetary Order for damage or compensation under the *Act*, pursuant to section 67; and
- 3. an Order directing the landlord to comply with the *Act*, regulation or tenancy agreement, pursuant to section 62.

The landlord and tenant J.B. 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 tenant's agent also attended the hearing.

Service of the tenants' application for dispute resolution was not disputed by the landlord.

Preliminary Issue- Severance

Residential Tenancy Branch Rule of Procedure 2.3 states that claims made in an Application for Dispute Resolution must be related to each other. Arbitrators may use their discretion to dismiss unrelated claims with or without leave to reapply.

It is my determination that the priority claim regarding the One Month Notice to End Tenancy for Cause and the continuation of this tenancy is not sufficiently related to any of the tenants' other claims to warrant that they be heard together. The parties were Page: 2

given a priority hearing date in order to address the question of the validity of the Notice to End Tenancy.

The tenants' other claims are unrelated in that the basis for them rests largely on facts not germane to the question of whether there are facts which establish the grounds for ending this tenancy as set out in the One Month Notice. I exercise my discretion to dismiss all of the tenants' claims with leave to reapply except cancellation of the notice to end tenancy.

Issue to be Decided

1. Is the landlord entitled to cancellation of the One Month Notice to End Tenancy for Cause, pursuant to section 47 of the *Act*?

Analysis

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 or an order. During the hearing the parties discussed the issues between them, engaged in a conversation, turned their minds to compromise and achieved a resolution of their dispute.

Both parties agreed to the following final and binding settlement of the issue currently under dispute:

- 1. The tenants agree to provide the landlord with vacant possession of the subject rental property by 1:00 p.m. on July 31, 2020.
- 2. The tenants agree to pay rent in the amount of \$1,200.00 on the first day of every month for the duration of this tenancy.

These particulars comprise the full and final settlement of the issue under dispute for both parties. Both parties gave verbal affirmation at the hearing that they understood and agreed to the above terms as legal, final and binding, which settle the issue currently under dispute.

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Conclusion

To give effect to the settlement reached between the parties and as discussed with them during the hearing, I grant an Order of Possession to the landlord effective at **1:00 p.m. on July 31, 2020,** which should be served on the tenants. Should the tenants 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: April 02, 2020

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