

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding EVERBRIGHT PROPERTIES INC. and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

DECISION

Dispute Codes ET, FFL

Introduction

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On May 15, 2020, the Landlord submitted an Application for Dispute Resolution under the *Residential Tenancy Act* ("the Act") for an early end of tenancy and an order of possession for the rental unit. The matter was scheduled as teleconference hearing.

The Landlord and Tenant attended the teleconference hearing. At the start of the hearing I introduced myself and the participants. The hearing process was explained. The parties were provided with an opportunity to ask questions about the hearing process. They were provided with the opportunity to present affirmed oral testimony and to make submissions during the hearing.

Settlement Agreement

During the hearing, the parties agreed to settle this dispute, on the following conditions:

- 1. The parties agreed that the tenancy will end on August 31, 2020.
- 2. The parties agreed that the Landlord is granted an order of possession effective **August 31, 2020, at 1:00 p.m.** For enforcement, the Landlord must serve the Tenant with the order of possession.
- 3. The Landlord withdraws the application for an early end of tenancy as part of this mutually settled agreement.
- 4. The Landlord agrees that the Tenant may move out of the rental unit earlier than August 31, 2020 without penalty related to proper notice.

This settlement agreement was reached in accordance with section 63 of the *Act.* The opportunity for settlement was discussed with the parties during the hearing. The parties were advised there is no obligation to resolve the dispute through settlement, but that I could assist the parties to reach an agreement. I indicated that if either party did

not wish to resolve this matter through a mutually agreed settlement, I was prepared to hear their evidence and make a decision.

Conclusion

I order the parties to comply with the terms of their mutually settled agreement described above.

The Landlord has been granted an order of possession in accordance with section 55 (2)(d) of the Act effective August 31, 2020, at 1:00 p.m. For enforcement, this order must be served on the Tenant and may be filed in the Supreme Court of British Columbia and enforced as an order of that Court.

I note that on March 30, 2020 the Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General declared a state of emergency because of the COVID -19 pandemic. The Ministerial Order provides that a Landlord must not file an order of possession in the Supreme Court of British Columbia unless the order of possession was granted under section 56 or 56.1 of the Act.

This decision is final and binding on the parties, unless otherwise provided under the Act, and 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: June 08, 2020

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