Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes ET FFL

Introduction

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

- an early end to this tenancy and an Order of Possession pursuant to section 56; and
- authorization to recover the filing fee from the tenant pursuant to section 72.

Both parties attended the hearing and were given a full opportunity to be heard, to present sworn testimony, to make submissions and to call witnesses.

The tenants confirmed receipt of the landlord's materials. The landlord said they did not receive the tenant's materials which were provided by email. Based on the testimonies I find that the tenant was served with the landlord's materials in accordance with sections 88 and 89 of the *Act*.

<u>Analysis</u>

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, turned their minds to compromise and achieved a resolution of their dispute.

Both parties agreed to the following final and binding settlement of all issues currently under dispute at this time:

- 1. This tenancy will end on 1:00 pm July 1, 2020, by which time the tenants and any other occupants will have vacated the rental unit.
- 2. The parties agree that this tenancy will end by way of this settlement agreement.
- 3. The parties acknowledge that there is a rental arrear in the amount of \$3,400.00 as at the date of the hearing, June 16, 2020.
- 4. The parties agree that the landlord may retain the full security deposit for this tenancy in the amount of \$650.00 as partial payment for the rental arrears.
- 5. Both parties agree that this settlement agreement constitutes a full, final and binding resolution of the landlord's application at this hearing.

Both parties testified at the hearing that they understood and agreed to the above terms, free of any duress or coercion. Both parties testified that they understood and agreed that the above terms are legal, final, binding and enforceable, which settle all aspects of this dispute. The parties are at liberty to file subsequent applications arising from other aspects of this tenancy.

Conclusion

To give effect to the settlement reached between the parties and as advised to both parties during the hearing, I issue the attached Order of Possession to be served on the tenants by the landlord **only** if the tenants and any other occupants fail to vacate the rental premises by 1:00 p.m. on July 1, 2020. 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: June 15, 2020

Residential Tenancy Branch