

## **Dispute Resolution Services**

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# Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

### **DECISION**

<u>Dispute Codes</u> OPB, FFL

#### Introduction

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

- an order of possession for breach of an agreement, pursuant to section 55; and
- authorization to recover the filing fee for this application, pursuant to section 72.

Both parties attended the hearing and were each given a full opportunity to be heard, to present affirmed testimony, to make submissions, and to call witnesses. This hearing lasted approximately 39 minutes.

The tenant confirmed receipt of the landlord's application for dispute resolution hearing package. In accordance with sections 89 and 90 of the *Act*, I find that the tenant was duly served with the landlord's application.

#### **Settlement Terms**

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 and orders. 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:

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- 1. Both parties agreed that this tenancy will end by 1:00 p.m. on October 13, 2020, by which time the tenant and any other occupants will have vacated the rental unit;
- 2. The tenant agreed to pay the landlord \$2,300.00 total, which the landlord agreed to accept for outstanding rent from July 14 to August 13, 2020, according to the following payment plan:
  - a. \$1,000.00 by August 14, 2020, by e-transfer;
  - b. \$1,300.00 by September 1, 2020, by e-transfer;
- 3. The tenant agreed to pay the landlord \$2,800.00 total by September 15, 2020 by e-transfer, which the landlord agreed to accept for rent from August 14 to September 13, 2020;
- 4. The tenant agreed to pay the landlord \$2,800.00 total by October 1, 2020 by etransfer, which the landlord agreed to accept for rent from September 14 to October 13, 2020:
- 5. The landlord agreed to bear the cost of the \$100.00 filing fee paid for this application;
- 6. The landlord agreed that this settlement agreement constitutes a final and binding resolution of his application at this hearing.

These particulars comprise the full and final settlement of all aspects of this dispute for both parties. Both parties affirmed at the hearing that they understood and agreed to the above terms, free of any duress or coercion. Both parties affirmed that they understood and agreed that the above terms are legal, final, binding and enforceable, which settle all aspects of this dispute.

#### Conclusion

I order both parties to comply with all of the above settlement terms.

To give effect to the settlement reached between the parties and as discussed with them during the hearing, I issue the attached Order of Possession effective at 1:00 p.m. on October 13, 2020, to be used by the landlord **only** if the tenant does not abide by condition #1 of the above settlement. The tenant must be served with this Order. 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.

The landlord must bear the cost of the \$100.00 filing fee paid for this application.

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To give effect to the settlement reached between the parties and as discussed with them during the hearing, I issue a monetary Order in the landlord's favour in the amount of \$2,300.00, the current amount of rent due. I deliver this Order to the landlord in support of the above agreement for use **only** in the event that the tenant fails to pay the landlord \$2,300.00 as per condition #2 of the above agreement. The tenant must be served with this Order. Should the tenant fail to comply with this Order, this Order may be filed in the Small Claims Division of the Provincial Court and enforced as an Order of that Court.

If future rent is unpaid by the tenant, from August 14, 2020 onwards, which was not yet due at the time of this hearing, the landlord is at liberty to file an application for dispute resolution at the Residential Tenancy Branch.

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: August 14, 2020

Residential Tenancy Branch