

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes CNL

<u>Introduction</u>

This hearing dealt with the tenants' application pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the *Act*) for cancellation of the landlords' 2 Month Notice to End Tenancy for Landlord's Use of Property ("2 Month Notice"), pursuant to section 49.

While the landlords attended the hearing by way of conference call, the tenants did not. I waited until 11:10 a.m. to enable the tenants to participate in this scheduled hearing for 11:00 a.m. The landlords were given a full opportunity to be heard, to present affirmed testimony, to make submissions and to call witnesses. I confirmed that the correct call-in numbers and participant codes had been provided in the Notice of Hearing. During the hearing, I also confirmed from the online teleconference system that the landlords and I were the only ones who had called into this teleconference.

Rule 7.3 of the Rules of Procedure provides as follows:

7.3 Consequences of not attending the hearing

If a party or their agent fails to attend the hearing, the arbitrator may conduct the dispute resolution hearing in the absence of that party, or dismiss the application, with or without leave to re-apply

Accordingly, in the absence of any submissions in this hearing I order the application dismissed without leave to reapply.

Section 55(1) of the *Act* reads as follows:

- **55** (1) If a tenant makes an application for dispute resolution to dispute a landlord's notice to end a tenancy, the director must grant to the landlord an order of possession of the rental unit if
 - (a) the landlord's notice to end tenancy complies with section 52 [form and content of notice to end tenancy], and

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(b) the director, during the dispute resolution proceeding, dismisses the tenant's application or upholds the landlord's notice.

The landlords testified in the hearing that the tenants had moved out on December 22, 2020, and they no longer require an Order of Possession. Accordingly, no Order of Possession will be issued.

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: December 30, 2020

Residential Tenancy Branch