

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes CNR

<u>Introduction</u>

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

• cancellation of the landlord's Ten Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent or Utilities, dated March 17, 2021 ("10 Day Notice"), pursuant to section 46.

The landlord's two agents, landlord LC ("landlord") and "landlord KT," and the tenant 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 hearing began at 11:00 a.m. and ended at 11:07 a.m. The tenant disconnected from the hearing without warning at 11:05 a.m.

The landlord confirmed that she had permission to represent the landlord named in this application, who no longer works for the landlord company. She said that the landlord company owns the rental unit. She stated that she was training landlord KT, as he was only observing, not testifying at this hearing.

Rule 6.11 of the Residential Tenancy Branch ("RTB") *Rules of Procedure* ("*Rules*") does not permit recording of a hearing by any party.

Neither party made any adjournment or accommodation requests at this hearing.

When I asked the tenant if she wanted to amend her application to replace the name of the landlord with the landlord company, she started arguing with me and yelling at me. The tenant then said to me "you guys are a bunch of idiots" and disconnected from the hearing without warning.

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The landlord confirmed that the tenant vacated the rental unit on May 7, 2021. She said that she did not require an order of possession against the tenant. I informed her that the tenant's application was dismissed without leave to reapply and the landlord was not entitled to an order of possession. She confirmed her understanding of same.

Preliminary Issue - Inappropriate Behaviour by the Tenant during the Hearing

Rule 6.10 of the RTB *Rules* states the following:

6.10 Interruptions and inappropriate behaviour at the dispute resolution hearing Disrupting the hearing will not be permitted. The arbitrator may give directions to any person in attendance at a hearing who is rude or hostile or acts inappropriately. A person who does not comply with the arbitrator's direction may be excluded from the dispute resolution hearing and the arbitrator may proceed in the absence of that excluded party.

I caution the tenant to not engage in the same behaviour at any future hearings at the RTB, as this inappropriate and disruptive behaviour will not be tolerated, and she may be excluded from future hearings. In that case, a decision will be made in the absence of the tenant.

Conclusion

The tenant's application is dismissed without leave to reapply.

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: July 05, 2021

Residential Tenancy Branch