

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding BROWN BROS. AGENCIES LTD. and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

#### **DECISION**

<u>Dispute Codes</u> CNC, RP, FFT, OPC, FFL

### Introduction

This hearing dealt with cross-applications filed by the parties. On June 10, 2021, the Tenants made an Application for Dispute Resolution seeking to cancel a One Month Notice to End Tenancy for Cause (the "Notice") pursuant to Section 47 of the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the "*Act*"), seeking a repair Order pursuant to Section 32 of the *Act*, and seeking to recover the filing fee pursuant to Section 72 of the *Act*.

On August 3, 2021, the Landlord made an Application for Dispute Resolution seeking an Order of Possession based on the Notice pursuant to Section 47 of the *Act* and seeking to recover the filing fee pursuant to Section 72 of the *Act*.

Tenant T.D. attended the hearing. C.S., L.C., and D.D. attended the hearing as agents for the Landlord. At the outset of the hearing, I explained to the parties that as the hearing was a teleconference, none of the parties could see each other, so to ensure an efficient, respectful hearing, this would rely on each party taking a turn to have their say. As such, when one party is talking, I asked that the other party not interrupt or respond unless prompted by myself. Furthermore, if a party had an issue with what had been said, they were advised to make a note of it and when it was their turn, they would have an opportunity to address these concerns. The parties were also informed that recording of the hearing was prohibited and they were reminded to refrain from doing so. All parties acknowledged these terms. As well, all parties in attendance provided a solemn affirmation.

The parties made submissions with respect to the issue on the Notice; however, they turned their minds to settlement discussions.

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# Settlement Agreement

I raised the possibility of settlement pursuant to Section 63(1) of the *Act* which allows an Arbitrator to assist the parties to settle the dispute. I explained to the parties that settlement discussions are voluntary, that if they chose not to discuss settlement I would make a final and binding Decision on the matter, and that if they chose to discuss settlement and did not come to an agreement, that I would make a final and binding Decision on the matter.

I advised the parties that if they did come to an agreement, I would write out this agreement in my written Decision and make any necessary Orders. I also explained that the written Decision would become a final and legally binding agreement. The parties did not have questions about discussing a settlement when asked.

The parties reached the following full and final settlement agreement during the hearing:

- 1. The Tenants will remain in possession the rental unit but must give up vacant possession of that rental unit on **October 31, 2021 at 1:00 PM**.
- 2. If condition 1 is breached, the Landlord is granted an Order of Possession that will be effective after service of the Order on the Tenants.
- 3. The Tenants will pay to the Landlord the remaining rent and parking for the month of October 2021 in the amount of **\$687.50**.
- 4. If condition 3 is breached, the Landlord is granted a Monetary Order in this amount.
- 5. The parties agreed that fulfilment of these conditions would amount to full and complete satisfaction of this dispute.

This settlement agreement was reached in accordance with Section 63 of the *Act*. The parties confirmed at the end of the hearing that this agreement was made on a voluntary basis and that they understood the binding nature of the settlement of these disputes.

# Conclusion

The parties reached a full and final settlement agreement in resolution of these disputes. I have recorded the terms of settlement in this Decision and in recognition with the settlement agreement, based on the above, the Landlord is granted a conditional

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Order of Possession effective on **October 31, 2021 at 1:00 PM** after service of the Order on the Tenants if they fail to comply with condition 1 of this settlement agreement. 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.

In addition, the Landlord is provided with a conditional Monetary Order in the amount of **\$687.50** in the above terms if they fail to comply with condition 3 of this settlement agreement. The Tenants must be served with **this Order** as soon as possible. Should the Tenants 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.

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: October 8, 2021	
	Residential Tenancy Branch