Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes CNC, MNDCT

Introduction

This hearing dealt with an Application for Dispute Resolution by the Tenants filed under the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the *"Act*") to cancel One Month Notice to End Tenancy for Cause (the "Notice") issued on June 30, 2021, and for a monetary order for compensation under the *Act*. The matter was set for a conference call.

The Landlord's Agent (the "Landlord") attended the conference call hearing; however, the Tenant did not. As the Tenant is the applicant in this hearing, I find that the Tenant had been duly notified of the Notice of Hearing in accordance with the *Act*.

The Landlord was affirmed to be truthful in their testimony and was provided with the opportunity to present their evidence orally and in written and documentary form and to make submissions at the hearing.

I have reviewed all oral and written evidence before me that met the requirements of the Rules of Procedure. However, only the evidence relevant to the issues and findings in this matter are described in this Decision.

Issues to be Decided

- Should the Notice to End Tenancy be cancelled?
- If not, is the Landlord entitled to an Order of Possession?
- Is the Tenant entailed to a monetary order for compensation under the Act?

Background and Evidence

While I have considered all of the accepted documentary evidence and the testimony of the parties, only the details of the respective submissions and/or arguments relevant to the issues and findings in this matter are reproduced here.

The Landlord testified that they issued the Notice to the Tenant on June 30, 2021, by posting the Notice to the front door of the rental unit. The reason checked off by the Landlord within the Notice is as follows:

• Tenant is repeatedly late paying rent.

The Notice states the Tenant must move out of the rental unit by July 31, 2021. The Notice informed the Tenant of the right to dispute the Notice within 10 days after receiving it.

The Landlord requested the Order of Possession.

Analysis

Based on the above, the oral testimony and the documentary evidence, and on a balance of probabilities, I find as follows:

I find that the Tenant received the Notice on June 30, 2021 and did apply to dispute the Notice. This matter was set for hearing by telephone conference call at 9:30 a.m. on this date. The line remained open while the phone system was monitored for ten minutes, and the only participant who called into the hearing was the Landlord.

Rules 7.1 and 7.3 of the Rules of Procedure provide as follows:

7.1 The dispute resolution hearing will commence at the scheduled time unless otherwise set by the arbitrator.

7.3 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.

Therefore, as the Tenant did not attend the hearing by 9:41 a.m, I dismiss the Tenant's application without leave to reapply.

Section 55(1) of the Act states:

Order of possession for the landlord

- **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

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

I have reviewed the Notice to end tenancy, and I find the Notice complies with section 52 of the *Act*.

As I have dismissed the Tenant's application, pursuant to section 55 of the *Act*, I must grant the Landlord an order of possession to the rental unit.

Therefore, I find that the Landlord is entitled to an order of possession effective not later than not later than **2 days** after service upon the Tenant. 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 Tenant is cautioned that costs of such enforcement are recoverable from the Tenant.

Conclusion

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

I grant an **Order of Possession** to the Landlord effective not later than **2 days** after service upon the Tenant. The Tenant must be served with this Order. 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: November 8, 2021

Residential Tenancy Branch