

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

REVIEW HEARING DECISION

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Introduction

The matter originally proceeded by way of a hearing held on September 3, 2021, and dealt with the tenants' application pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* ("the *Act*") for:

- cancellation of the landlord's 1 Month Notice to End Tenancy for Cause (the 1 Month Notice) pursuant to section 47; and
- authorization to recover the filing fee for this application from the landlord, pursuant to section 72 of the *Act*.

On September 14, 2021, the tenants were granted their application for review consideration, and the Decision and Order dated September 3, 2021 were suspended until the Review Hearing scheduled for January 17, 2022.

SK appeared for the tenants, while the landlord was represented by their agents BB and VF. Both parties attended the review hearing and were given a full opportunity to be heard, to present their sworn testimony, to make submissions, to call witnesses and to cross-examine one another. Both parties were clearly informed of the RTB Rules of Procedure about behaviour including Rule 6.10 about interruptions and inappropriate behaviour, and Rule 6.11 which prohibits the recording of a dispute resolution hearing. Both parties confirmed that they understood.

<u>Analysis</u>

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 or an order. 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:

- 1. Both parties entered into a mutual agreement that this tenancy will end on February 28, 2022 at 1:00 p.m., by which date the tenants and any other occupants will have vacated the rental unit.
- 2. The parties agreed that this tenancy ends by way of their mutual agreement to end this tenancy and not on the basis of the landlord's 1 Month Notice, dated April 22, 2021.
- 3. Both parties agreed that this settlement agreement constituted a final and binding resolution of each other's applications, with the exception of the tenants' monetary application, which is dismissed with leave to reapply.

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

Conclusion

The Order of Possession dated September 3, 2021 is cancelled.

To give effect to the settlement reached between the parties and as discussed with them during the hearing, I issue a new Order of Possession to the landlord, which is to take effect by 1:00 p.m. on February 28, 2022.

The landlord is provided with this Order in the above terms and the tenants must be served with this Order in the event that the tenants do not abide by condition #1 of the above settlement. 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: January 19, 2022