

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes CNC

Introduction

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

• cancellation of the landlords' One Month Notice to End Tenancy for Cause, dated September 28, 2021 ("1 Month Notice"), pursuant to section 47.

The individual landlord MB ("landlord"), the landlords' agent, 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. This hearing lasted approximately 16 minutes.

The landlord, the landlords' agent, and the tenant all provided their names and spelling. The landlord and the tenant provided their email address for me to send this decision to both parties after this hearing.

The landlord stated that the landlord company owns the rental unit and confirmed the rental unit address. He stated that he is an agent for the landlord company, and he had permission to speak on its behalf. He said that the landlords' agent had permission to speak on behalf of both landlords at this hearing.

At the outset of this hearing, I informed both parties that recording of this hearing was not permitted by anyone, as per Rule 6.11 of the Residential Tenancy Branch *Rules of Procedure ("Rules")*. The landlord, the landlords' agent, and the tenant all separately affirmed, under oath, that they would not record this hearing.

At the outset of this hearing, I explained the hearing and settlement processes, and the potential outcomes and consequences, to both parties. Both parties had an opportunity to ask questions, which I answered. Both parties affirmed that they were ready to proceed with this hearing, they did not want me to make a decision, and they wanted to settle this application. Neither party made any adjournment or accommodation requests.

The landlord confirmed receipt of the tenant's application for dispute resolution hearing package and the tenant confirmed receipt of the landlords' evidence. In accordance with sections 88, 89 and 90 of the *Act*, I find that the landlords were duly served with the tenant's application and the tenant was duly served with the landlords' evidence.

Pursuant to section 64(3)(c) of the *Act*, I amend the tenant's application to add the name of the landlord company as a landlord-respondent party. The landlord confirmed that the landlord company owns the rental unit and is indicated as the landlord in the 1 Month Notice issued to the tenant. A copy of the 1 Month Notice was provided for this hearing. The landlord consented to this amendment during this hearing. The tenant did not object to this amendment. I find no prejudice to either party in making this amendment.

Settlement Terms

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 and orders. 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 agreed that this tenancy will end by 5:00 p.m. on March 31, 2022, by which time the tenant and any other occupants will have vacated the rental unit;
- 2. The landlords agreed that their 1 Month Notice, dated September 28, 2021, was cancelled and of no force or effect;
- 3. The tenant agreed that this settlement agreement constitutes a final and binding resolution of her application at this hearing.

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

The terms and consequences of the above settlement were reviewed in detail, with both parties during this hearing. Both parties had opportunities to ask questions and to negotiate and discuss the settlement terms in detail. Both parties affirmed, under oath, that they fully understood and agreed to the above settlement terms. Both parties affirmed, under oath, that they agreed and understood that the above settlement terms were final, binding, and could not be changed after this hearing was over. The tenant was given ample and extra time during this hearing to think about and review the terms of this settlement privately. The landlord was given ample time to think about, review, and discuss the terms of this settlement privately and with the landlords' agent.

Conclusion

I order both parties to comply with all of the above settlement terms.

To give effect to the settlement reached between the parties and as discussed with them during the hearing, I issue the attached Order of Possession effective at 5:00 p.m. on March 31, 2022, to be used by the landlord(s) **only** if the tenant does not abide by condition #1 of the above settlement. The tenant must be served with a copy of this Order. 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 landlords' 1 Month Notice, dated September 28, 2021, is cancelled and of no force or effect.

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: February 15, 2022

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