

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes RR, RP, PSF, OLC, CNC

<u>Introduction</u>

This hearing dealt with the tenant's 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;
- an order requiring the landlord to comply with the *Act*, regulation or tenancy agreement pursuant to section 62;
- an order to the landlord to make repairs to the rental unit pursuant to section 33;
- an order to allow the tenant to reduce rent for repairs, services or facilities agreed upon but not provided, pursuant to section 65; and
- an order to the landlord to provide services or facilities required by law pursuant to section 65.

This matter was set for hearing by telephone conference call at 11:00 am on this date. The line remained open and the phone system was monitored for the full duration of the 15 minute hearing and the only participant who called into the hearing during this time was the respondent.

The landlord was given a full opportunity to be heard, to present sworn testimony, to make submissions and to call witnesses. The landlord was assisted by an interpreter.

The landlord was made aware of Residential Tenancy Rule of Procedure 6.11 prohibiting recording dispute resolution hearings and they testified that they were not making any recordings.

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Rule 7.3 of the Rules of Procedure provides as follows:

7.3 Consequences of not attending the hearing – 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 reapply.

Therefore, as the applicants did not attend the hearing, and the respondent was present and ready to proceed, I dismiss the claim in its entirety without leave to reapply.

Section 55 of the *Act* provides that:

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 dismissed the tenant's application, and I find that the 1 Month Notice submitted into evidence by the tenant complies with the form and content requirements of section 52 as it is signed and dated by the landlord, provides the address of the rental unit, the effective date of the notice, and the grounds for the tenancy to end.

I accept the undisputed evidence of the landlord that the tenants have conducted themselves in a manner that has caused unreasonable disturbance to the other occupants of the building by breaking into other units of the building, stealing items and damaging property.

I further find that the tenant has engaged in conduct that has significantly interfered with and disrupted the other occupants and the landlord through hostile and aggressive behaviour.

I accept the evidence of the landlord that any payment subsequent to the issuance of the 1 Month Notice was communicated to the tenant to be for use and occupancy only and did not reinstate the tenancy.

I therefore find that the landlord is entitled to an Order of Possession pursuant to section 55. As the effective date of the notice has passed, I issue an Order of Possession effective two (2) days after service.

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: April 1, 2022

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