

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes 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.

At the outset of the hearing, I explained to the parties that as these hearings were teleconferences, the parties could not 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. All parties acknowledged the evidence submitted and were given an opportunity to be heard, to present sworn testimony, and to make submissions. I explained the hearing and settlement processes to both parties. Both parties had an opportunity to ask questions. Both parties confirmed that they were ready to proceed with the hearing, they did not want to settle this application, and they wanted me to make a decision regarding this application. Neither party made any adjournment or accommodation requests. I have reviewed all oral and written submissions before me; however, only the evidence relevant to the issues and findings in this matter are described in this Decision.

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<u>Preliminary Issue – Notice to End Tenancy</u>

At the outset of the hearing, the One Month Notice to End Tenancy for Cause was addressed. The landlord issued the notice on January 14, 2022. The notice requires the landlord to provide their full name as the party issuing the notice. The landlord only put "Shirley". The landlord did not sign the notice but just printed "Shirley" where they were required to sign.

<u>Analysis</u>

Section 52 of the Act addresses the issue before me as follows:

Form and content of notice to end tenancy

- **52** In order to be effective, a notice to end a tenancy must be in writing and must
 - (a) be signed and dated by the landlord or tenant giving the notice,
 - (b) give the address of the rental unit,
 - (c)state the effective date of the notice,
 - (d)except for a notice under section 45 (1) or (2) [tenant's notice], state the grounds for ending the tenancy,
 - (d.1) for a notice under section 45.1 [tenant's notice: family violence or long-term care], be accompanied by a statement made in accordance with section 45.2 [confirmation of eligibility], and
 - (e) when given by a landlord, be in the approved form.

The notice before me does not meet the above requirements, specifically that the landlords full and legal name was not noted nor did they sign the form, accordingly; I hereby set aside the notice, it is of no effect or force.

Conclusion

The One Month Notice to End Tenancy for Cause is cancelled; it is of no effect or force. The tenancy continues.

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 14, 2022	Dated:	April	14,	2022
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