

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes CNR, OLC, LRE

Introduction

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

- cancellation of the landlord's Ten Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent or Utilities, dated January 5, 2022 ("10 Day Notice"), pursuant to section 46;
- an order requiring the landlord to comply with the *Act, Residential Tenancy Regulation* or tenancy agreement, pursuant to section 62; and
- an order restricting the landlord's right to enter the rental unit, pursuant to section 70.

The landlord 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 47 minutes from 1:30 p.m. to 2:17 p.m.

Both parties confirmed their names and spelling. The landlord provided his mailing address for me to send this decision to him after the hearing. The tenant provided his email address for me to send this decision to him after the hearing.

The landlord stated that he co-owns the rental unit with other people. He said that he had permission to represent the other co-owners at this hearing. He confirmed the rental unit address.

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 and the tenant both 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.

I informed the landlord that I had to mute his telephone line one time at the outset of this hearing because I could not hear properly or speak, since the landlord was talking at the same time as me and was cautioned regarding same. Both parties were asked to speak loudly and clearly during this hearing, since the landlord was using a speakerphone and the tenant said he was calling from an area with low cellular phone reception.

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

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 1:00 p.m. on April 7, 2022, by which time the tenant and any other occupants will have vacated the rental unit;
- 2. The landlord agreed that all of his notices to end tenancy, issued to the tenant, to date, are cancelled and of no force or effect;
- 3. The tenant agreed that this settlement agreement constitutes a final and binding resolution of his 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 lengthy 47-minute hearing. Both parties had opportunities to ask questions and to negotiate and discuss the settlement terms in detail. Both parties repeatedly affirmed, under oath, that they fully understood and agreed to the above settlement terms voluntarily. Both parties repeatedly affirmed, under oath, that the above settlement terms were final, binding, and could not be changed after this hearing was over.

Conclusion

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

All of the landlord's notices to end tenancy, issued to the tenant, to date, are cancelled and of no force or effect.

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 1:00 p.m. on April 7, 2022, to be used by the landlord **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.

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 01, 2022

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