

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding BROWN BROS AGENCIES LTD. and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

DECISION

<u>Dispute Codes</u> CNC-MT, FFT, OLC, MNDCT, PSF

OPC, FFL

Introduction

The words tenant and landlord in this decision have the same meaning as in the *Residential Tenancy Act, (the "Act")* and the singular of these words includes the plural.

This hearing dealt with applications filed by both the tenants and the landlord pursuant the Residential Tenancy Act (the "Act").

The tenants applied for:

- An order to cancel a 1 Month Notice to End Tenancy for Cause, pursuant to sections 47 and 55:
- Leave to have the application heard after the time to dispute the notice to end tenancy has passed pursuant to section 66;
- Authorization to recover the filing fee from the other party pursuant to section 72;
- An order that the landlord comply with the Act, regulations or tenancy agreement pursuant section 62;
- A monetary order for damages or compensation pursuant section 67; and
- An order that the landlord provide services or facilities required by the tenancy agreement pursuant to section 27.

The landlord applied for:

- An order of possession for cause pursuant to sections 47 and 55; and
- Authorization to recover the filing fee from the other party pursuant to section 72.

Both tenants attended the hearing and the landlord was represented by property manager, DS ("landlord"). As both parties were present, service of documents was confirmed. Each party acknowledged service of the other's Notice of Dispute Resolution Hearing package and neither party took issue with timely service of documents.

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The parties were informed at the start of the hearing that recording of the dispute resolution is prohibited under the Rule 6.11 of the Residential Tenancy Branch Rules of Procedure ("Rules") and that if any recording was made without my authorization, the offending party would be referred to the RTB Compliance Enforcement Unit for the purpose of an investigation and potential fine under the Act.

Each party was administered an oath to tell the truth and they both confirmed that they were not recording the hearing.

<u>Preliminary Issue – Scope of Application</u>

Residential Tenancy Branch Rules of Procedure, Rule 2.3 states that, if, in the course of the dispute resolution proceeding, the Arbitrator determines that it is appropriate to do so, the Arbitrator may sever or dismiss the unrelated disputes contained in a single application with or without leave to apply. Aside from the tenant's application to cancel the Notice to End Tenancy, I am exercising my discretion to dismiss the remainder of the issues identified in the tenants' application with leave to reapply as these matters are not related to the primary issue before me. This hearing was limited to the issue of determining whether I would uphold or cancel the landlord's notice to end tenancy for cause.

Settlement Reached

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. I advised the parties that there is no obligation to resolve the dispute through settlement and that if either party did not wish to resolve this matter through settlement, I was prepared to make a decision based on the evidence before me. During the hearing the parties discussed the issues between them, turned their minds to compromise and achieved the following resolution of their dispute.

- 1. The parties mutually agree to end the tenancy. This tenancy will end at 1:00 p.m. on June 30, 2022, by which time the tenants and any other occupants will have vacated the rental unit.
- 2. The landlord's notice to end tenancy is cancelled and of no further force or effect.
- 3. The rights and obligations of the parties continue until the tenancy ends.

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. As the parties

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resolved matters by agreement, I make no findings of fact or law with respect to the application before me.

The decision to order payment of the filing fee is discretionary upon the arbitrator and in accordance with section 72 of the *Act*, neither of the filing fees will not be recovered.

Conclusion

To give effect to the settlement reached between the parties and as discussed at the hearing, I issue an Order of Possession to the landlord. The landlord is to serve this Order of Possession upon the tenant immediately and enforce it as early as 1:00 p.m. on June 30, 2022, should the landlord be required to do so.

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: May 24, 2022

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