

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

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# Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

#### **DECISION**

<u>Dispute Codes</u> CNC, OLC

## <u>Introduction</u>

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

- cancellation of the landlord's One Month Notice to End Tenancy for Cause, dated March 31, 2022 ("1 Month Notice"), pursuant to section 47;
- an order requiring the landlord to comply with the *Act, Residential Tenancy Regulation* or tenancy agreement, pursuant to section 62.

The tenant did not attend this hearing, which lasted approximately 11 minutes. The landlord attended the hearing and was given a full opportunity to be heard, to present affirmed testimony, to make submissions and to call witnesses.

This hearing began at 11:00 a.m. and ended at 11:11 a.m. I monitored the teleconference line throughout this hearing. I confirmed that the correct call-in numbers and participant codes had been provided in the Notice of Hearing. I also confirmed from the teleconference system that the landlord and I were the only people who called into this teleconference.

The landlord confirmed her name and spelling. She stated that she is the landlord for this tenancy, her name is on the tenancy agreement as a landlord, and she managed all tenancy-related matters with the tenant. She said that she had permission to represent her husband, who is the owner of the rental unit. She confirmed the rental unit address. She provided her email address for me to send this decision to her after the hearing.

Rule 6.11 of the Residential Tenancy Branch ("RTB") *Rules of Procedure ("Rules")* does not permit recording of this hearing by any party. At the outset of this hearing, the landlord affirmed, under oath, that she would not record this hearing.

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At the outset of this hearing, I explained the hearing process to the landlord. She had an opportunity to ask questions. She did not make any adjournment or accommodation requests.

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

Pursuant to section 64(3)(c) of the *Act*, I amend the tenant's application to correct the landlord's surname. The landlord confirmed that she legally changed her surname so that it was only one, not two hyphenated surnames. I find no prejudice to the tenant in making this amendment.

Rule 7.3 of the RTB *Rules* 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.

In the absence of any appearance by the applicant tenant, I order the tenant's entire application dismissed without leave to reapply. I informed the landlord of my decision verbally during this hearing. She confirmed her understanding of same.

Pursuant to section 55 of the *Act*, if I dismiss the tenant's application to cancel a 1 Month Notice, the landlord is entitled to an order of possession, provided that the notice meets the requirements of section 52 of the *Act*.

The landlord stated that she did not require an order of possession against the tenant because the tenant moved out on July 24, 2022, and the landlord took back possession and changed the locks to the rental unit. I notified her that I would not issue an order of possession to her, since one was not required. She confirmed her understanding of and agreement to same.

## Conclusion

The tenant's entire application is dismissed without leave to reapply.

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The landlord is not issued an order of possession against the tenant.

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: July 29, 2022

Residential Tenancy Branch