

Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes CNR

Introduction

This hearing dealt with an Application for Dispute Resolution (the "Application") filed by the Tenant under the *Manufactured Home Park Tenancy Act* (the "*Act*"), seeking to cancel a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent or Utilities (the "10 Day Notice").

The hearing was convened by telephone conference call and was attended by the Landlord and the agent for the Landlord (the "Agent"). The Tenant did not attend. The Landlord and Agent attended the hearing at the scheduled time, ready to proceed, and were provided the opportunity to present their evidence orally and in written and documentary form, and to make submissions at the hearing.

I have reviewed all evidence and testimony before me that met the requirements of the rules of procedure; however, I refer only to the relevant facts and issues in this decision.

Issue(s) to be Decided

Is there a valid reason to cancel the 10 Day Notice under the Act?

If the Tenant is unsuccessful in seeking to cancel the 10 Day Notice, is the Landlord entitled to an Order of Possession pursuant to Section 48 of the *Act*?

Background and Evidence

The 10 Day Notice in the documentary evidence before me, dated September 5, 2017, has an effective vacancy date of September 16, 2017, and indicates that as of September 1, 2017, the Tenant owed \$1,277.25 in outstanding rent and \$81.71 in outstanding utilities. The Landlord testified that the 10 Day Notice was personally served on the Tenant by the Agent on September 6, 2017.

The Tenant applied to cancel the 10 Day Notice; however, they did not appear at the hearing of their own Application to provide any evidence or testimony.

<u>Analysis</u>

I have reviewed all relevant documentary evidence and oral testimony and in accordance with section 81 of the *Act*, I find that the Tenant was served with the 10 Day Notice on September 6, 2017, the date it was personally served on them.

As the Tenant failed to attend the hearing to present any evidence or testimony in support of their Application, their Application is dismissed without leave to reapply. I note that Section 48 of the *Act* requires that when a tenant submits an Application seeking to cancel a Notice to End Tenancy issued by a landlord, I must consider if the landlord is entitled to an Order of Possession if the Application is dismissed and the landlord has issued a Notice to End Tenancy that is compliant with Section 45 of the *Act*.

Section 48 of the *Act* states the following with regards to an Order of Possession for the Landlord:

Order of possession for the landlord

48 (1) 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 manufactured home site if

(a) the landlord's notice to end tenancy complies with section 45 [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.

Based on the above, I must now turn my mind to whether the 10 Day Notice issued by the Landlord complies with section 45 of the *Act* which states:

Form and content of notice to end tenancy

45 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 manufactured home site,

(c) state the effective date of the notice,

(d) except for a notice under section 38 (1) or (2) *[tenant's notice]*, state the grounds for ending the tenancy, and

(e) when given by a landlord, be in the approved form.

The 10 Day Notice in the documentary evidence before me is signed and dated by the Agent, gives the address of the manufactured home site, states the effective date of the 10 Day Notice, and is in the approved form. As a result, I find that the 10 day Notice complies with section 45 of the *Act* and the Landlord is therefore entitled to an Order of Possession pursuant to section 48 of the *Act*.

Conclusion

The Tenant's Application is dismissed and pursuant to section 48 of the *Act*, I grant an Order of Possession to the Landlord effective **Two Days after service of this Order** on the Tenant. The Landlord is provided with this Order in the above terms and the Tenant must be served with **this Order** as soon as possible. Should the Tenant fail to comply with this Order, this Order may be filed in the Supreme Court of British Columbia and enforced as an Order of that Court.

This decision is made on authority delegated to me by the Director of the Residential Tenancy Branch under Section 9.1(1) of the *Manufactured Home Park Tenancy Act*.

Dated: October 26, 2017

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