

## **Dispute Resolution Services**

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# Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

### **DECISION**

Dispute Codes CNL

#### <u>Introduction</u>

This hearing dealt with an Application for Dispute Resolution by the tenant filed under the Residential Tenancy Act (the "Act") to cancel Two Month Notice for Landlord's Use of Property, issued on April 30, 2018.

This matter was set for hearing by telephone conference call at 11:00 A.M on this date. The line remained open while the phone system was monitored for ten minutes and the only participant who called into the hearing during this time was the landlords. Therefore, as the tenant did not attend the hearing by 11:10 A.M, and the landlord appeared and was ready to proceed.

The landlord stated at the hearing that the tenant has not vacated and has not paid rent for two months.

Since the tenant did not appear, I dismiss the tenant's application without leave to reapply.

Section 55(1) of the Act states:

Order of possession for the landlord

- 55 (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 rental unit if
  - (a) the landlord's notice to end tenancy complies with section 52 [form and content of notice to end tenancy], and

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(b) the director, during the dispute resolution proceeding, dismisses the tenant's application or upholds the landlord's notice.

I have reviewed the notice to end tenancy, in this case the landlord forgot to sign the notice to end tenancy and the notice to end tenancy does not comply with section 52 of the Act.

However, section 68 of the Act gives me the authority to amend the notice if I am satisfied that the tenant knew or should have known that it was issued by the landlord. Since the landlord's name is printed on the notice to end tenancy and the tenant disputed the notice and served the landlord, I find it not prejudicial to the tenant to amened the notice to end tenancy by accepting the printed version of the landlord's name as their signature.

As I have dismissed the tenant's application, pursuant to section 55 of the Act I must grant the landlord an order of possession of the rental unit.

Therefore, I find that the landlord is entitled to an order of possession effective **two days** after service on the tenant. This order may be filed in the Supreme Court and enforced as an order of that Court. The **tenant is cautioned** that costs of such enforcement are recoverable from the tenant.

#### Conclusion

The tenant's application is dismissed. The landlord is granted an order of possession.

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 06, 2018

Residential Tenancy Branch