

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

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

<u>Introduction</u>

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

- cancellation of the landlord's 1 Month Notice to End Tenancy for Cause (the 1 Month Notice) pursuant to section 47;
- an order requiring the landlord to comply with the *Act*, regulation or tenancy agreement pursuant to section 62; and
- a monetary order for compensation for loss or damage under the Act, regulation or tenancy agreement pursuant to section 67.

Both parties attended the hearing and were given a full opportunity to be heard and provide affirmed testimony. The parties confirmed that they had exchanged their documentary evidence.

Preliminary Issue #1- Severance

Residential Tenancy Branch (RTB) Rule of Procedure 2.3 states that claims made in an Application for Dispute Resolution must be related to each other. Arbitrators may use their discretion to dismiss unrelated claims with or without leave to reapply.

It is my determination that the priority claims regarding the One Month Notice and the and the continuation of this tenancy are not sufficiently related to any of the tenant's other claims to warrant that they be heard together. The parties were given a priority hearing date in order to address the question of the validity of the Notice to End Tenancy.

The tenant's monetary claim is unrelated in that the basis for it rests largely on facts not germane to the question of whether there are facts which establish the grounds for

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ending this tenancy as set out in the Notice to End Tenancy. I exercise my discretion to dismiss the tenant's monetary claims with leave to reapply.

Preliminary Issue #2 - Tenancy

After some initial discussions and procedural matters, both parties confirmed that the tenancy is over and that the tenant has moved out. Both parties continually referred to monetary compensation as each feel that they other owes them. As noted above, this hearing was scheduled in a priority manner to address the issue of the tenancy. It was explained to both parties in great detail their ability to file a separate application for a monetary claim. Both parties indicated they understood and intend to do so.

Conclusion

The tenants monetary claim is dismissed with leave to reapply.

The remainder of the tenant's application is dismissed without leave to reapply.

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: November 03, 2020

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