



Order under Section 69 Residential Tenancies Act, 2006

Citation: Sallam v Fortomaris, 2023 ONLTB 16598

Date: 2023-01-23

File Number: LTB-L-029571-22

In the matter of: 2001, 297 OAKWALK DR
OAKVILLE ON L6H3R6

Between: Mohamed Sallam Landlord

And

Katerina Fortomaris Tenant

Mohamed Sallam (the 'Landlord') applied for an order to terminate the tenancy and evict Katerina Fortomaris (the 'Tenant') because the Tenant did not pay the rent that the Tenant owes.

The Landlord also claimed charges related to NSF cheques.

This application was heard by videoconference on January 19, 2023. Only the Landlord's friend, Mohammad Abusaa, attended the hearing on behalf of the Landlord. As of 9:43am, the Tenant was not present or represented at the hearing although properly served with notice of this hearing by the LTB. There was no record of a request to adjourn the hearing. As a result, the hearing proceeded with only the Landlord's evidence.

Determinations:

1. The Landlord served the Tenant with a valid Notice to End Tenancy Early for Non-payment of Rent (N4 Notice). The Tenant did not void the notice by paying the amount of rent arrears owing by the termination date in the N4 Notice or before the date the application was filed.
2. As of the hearing date, the Tenant was still in possession of the rental unit.
3. The lawful rent is \$2,050.00. It is due on the 1st day of each month.
4. Based on the Monthly rent, the daily rent/compensation is \$67.40. This amount is calculated as follows: \$2,050.00 x 12, divided by 365 days.
5. The Tenant has not made any payments since the application was filed.
6. The rent arrears owing to January 31, 2023 are \$26,650.00.
7. The NSF charges claimed by the Landlord related to electronic fund transfers rather than NSF cheques. Since subsection 87(5) of the *Residential Tenancies Act, 2006*, does not provide a remedy for electronic fund transfers that fail due to non-sufficient funds, the Landlord's claim for NSF charges is denied.

8. The Landlord incurred costs of \$186.00 for filing the application and is entitled to reimbursement of those costs.
9. The Landlord collected a rent deposit of \$2,050.00 from the Tenant and this deposit is still being held by the Landlord. The rent deposit can only be applied to the last rental period of the tenancy if the tenancy is terminated.
10. Interest on the rent deposit, in the amount of \$41.17 is owing to the Tenant for the period from September 24, 2021 to January 19, 2023.
11. I have considered all of the disclosed circumstances in accordance with subsection 83(2) of the *Residential Tenancies Act, 2006* (the 'Act'), including the impact of COVID-19 on the parties and whether the Landlord attempted to negotiate a repayment agreement with the Tenant and find that it would be unfair to grant relief from eviction pursuant to subsection 83(1) of the Act.
12. It was the Landlords evidence that the Tenant only paid 3 months of rent and then stopped paying. The Landlord has tried working with the Tenant to negotiate a payment plan for the arrears, but the Landlord has been unable to reach the Tenant through email and phone, but the Tenants phone number has changed. The Tenant has not proposed a payment arrangement or paid anything since the application was filed. The Tenant did not attend the hearing to make submissions regarding their personal circumstances for me to consider whether granting relief would be appropriate under the circumstances. I see no reason to grant relief to the Tenant otherwise.

It is ordered that:

1. The tenancy between the Landlord and the Tenant is terminated unless the Tenant voids this order.
2. **The Tenant may void this order and continue the tenancy by paying to the Landlord or to the LTB in trust:**
 - \$26,836.00 if the payment is made on or before January 31, 2023. See Schedule 1 for the calculation of the amount owing.

OR

 - \$28,886.00 if the payment is made on or before February 3, 2023. See Schedule 1 for the calculation of the amount owing.
3. The Tenant may also make a motion at the LTB to void this order under section 74(11) of the Act, if the Tenant has paid the full amount owing as ordered plus any additional rent that became due after February 3, 2023 but before the Court Enforcement Office (Sheriff) enforces the eviction. The Tenant may only make this motion once during the tenancy.
4. **If the Tenant does not pay the amount required to void this order the Tenant must move out of the rental unit on or before February 3, 2023**
5. If the Tenant does not void the order, the Tenant shall pay to the Landlord \$23,975.43 This amount includes rent arrears owing up to the date of the hearing and the cost of filing the application and unpaid NSF charges. The rent deposit and interest the Landlord owes on

the rent deposit are deducted from the amount owing by the Tenant. See Schedule 1 for the calculation of the amount owing.

6. The Tenant shall also pay the Landlord compensation of \$67.40 per day for the use of the unit starting January 20, 2023 until the date the Tenant moves out of the unit.
7. If the Tenant does not pay the Landlord the full amount owing on or before February 3, 2023, the Tenant will start to owe interest. This will be simple interest calculated from February 4, 2023 at 5.00% annually on the balance outstanding.
8. The Landlord or the Tenant shall pay to the other any sum of money that is owed as a result of this order.
9. If the unit is not vacated on or before February 3, 2023, then starting February 4, 2023, the Landlord may file this order with the Court Enforcement Office (Sheriff) so that the eviction may be enforced.
10. Upon receipt of this order, the Court Enforcement Office (Sheriff) is directed to give vacant possession of the unit to the Landlord on or after February 4, 2023.

January 23, 2023
Date Issued

Terri van Huisstede
Member, Landlord and Tenant Board

15 Grosvenor Street, Ground Floor
Toronto ON M7A 2G6

If you have any questions about this order, call 416-645-8080 or toll free at 1-888-332-3234.

In accordance with section 81 of the Act, the part of this order relating to the eviction expires on August 4, 2023 if the order has not been filed on or before this date with the Court Enforcement Office (Sheriff) that has territorial jurisdiction where the rental unit is located.

*Note: When the Board directs payment-out, the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce will issue a cheque to the appropriate party named in this notice. The cheque will be in the amount directed plus any interest accrued up to the date of the notice

Schedule 1
SUMMARY OF CALCULATIONS

A. Amount the Tenant must pay to void the eviction order and continue the tenancy if the payment is made on or before January 31, 2023

Rent Owing To January 31, 2023	\$26,650.00
Application Filing Fee	\$186.00
NSF Charges	\$0.00
Less the amount the Tenant paid to the Landlord since the application was filed	- \$0.00
Less the amount the Tenant paid into the LTB since the application was filed	- \$0.00
Total the Tenant must pay to continue the tenancy	\$26,836.00

B. Amount the Tenant must pay to void the eviction order and continue the tenancy if the payment is made on or before February 3, 2023

Rent Owing To February 28, 2023	\$28,700.00
Application Filing Fee	\$186.00
NSF Charges	\$0.00
Less the amount the Tenant paid to the Landlord since the application was filed	- \$0.00
Less the amount the Tenant paid into the LTB since the application was filed	- \$0.00
Total the Tenant must pay to continue the tenancy	\$28,866.00

C. Amount the Tenant must pay if the tenancy is terminated

Rent Owing To Hearing Date	\$25,880.60
Application Filing Fee	\$186.00
NSF Charges	\$0.00
Less the amount the Tenant paid to the Landlord since the application was filed	- \$0.00
Less the amount the Tenant paid into the LTB since the application was filed	- \$0.00
Less the amount of the last month's rent deposit	- \$2,050.00
Less the amount of the interest on the last month's rent deposit	- \$41.17
Total amount owing to the Landlord	\$23,975.43
Plus daily compensation owing for each day of occupation starting January 20, 2023	\$67.40 (per day)