Tribunaux décisionnels Ontario

Commission de la location immobilière

Order under Section 69 Residential Tenancies Act, 2006

Citation: Emami-Agah v Edwards, 2023 ONLTB 25531

Date: 2023-03-15

File Number: LTB-L-032716-22

In the matter of: 38, 1958 ROSEFIELD RD PICKERING

ON L1V3A9

Between: Niloofar Emami -Agah Landlord

And

Grace Edwards Tenant

Niloofar Emami-Agah (the 'Landlord') applied for an order to terminate the tenancy and evict Grace Edwards (the 'Tenant') because the Tenant did not pay the rent that the Tenant owes.

This application was heard by videoconference on January 30, 2023.

The Landlord did not attend the hearing but was represented by Agatha Small. The Tenant attended the hearing and was self-represented.

Determinations:

- 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 \$1,800.00. It is due on the 1st day of each month.
- 4. Based on the Monthly rent, the daily rent/compensation is \$59.18. This amount is calculated as follows: \$1,800.00 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 \$17,700.00.

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7. The Landlord incurred costs of \$186.00 for filing the application and is entitled to reimbursement of those costs.

- 8. The Landlord collected a rent deposit of \$1,275.00 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.
- 9. Interest on the rent deposit, in the amount of \$225.69 is owing to the Tenant for the period from March 1, 2012 to January 30, 2023.

Section 83 considerations

- 10. The Tenant does not dispute the arrears, explaining that she fell into arrears during the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic when another occupant of the unit (who contributed to paying the rent) moved out. As a result, given her limited income (which is derived exclusively from Ontario Disability Support Program ('ODSP') valued at \$1,228.00 per month) had left her without the financial resources to meet her payment obligations under the tenancy agreement.
- 11. Elaborating further, the Tenant does not dispute that her limited income renders the tenancy financially non-viable however, described efforts she made to address her housing situation which included borrowing up to \$40, 000.00 in PayDay loans, and submitting multiple applications for social housing. She asks that, in the event the Board grants the Landlord's application, to take into consideration her disability status (which limits her ability to move and walk), the length of her tenancy (which began in 2012), and that she needs extra time to find alternative housing.

Analysis

12. 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 not be unfair to postpone the eviction until April 30, 2023 pursuant to subsection 83(1)(b) of the Act. As the Tenant no longer has the financial means to meet her rent payment obligations, I am satisfied that the tenancy is no longer viable and continuing it any further would be unduly prejudicial to the Landlord. I acknowledge that the eviction will have an impact on the Tenant (given her disability related issues) such that delaying the eviction to give her time to find alternative housing would be fair and appropriate in the circumstances.

It is ordered that:

1. The tenancy between the Landlord and the Tenant is terminated unless the Tenant voids this order.

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- 2. The Tenant may void this order and continue the tenancy by paying to the Landlord or to the LTB in trust:
 - \$21,486.00 if the payment is made on or before March 31, 2023. See Schedule 1 for the calculation of the amount owing.

OR

- \$23,286.00 if the payment is made on or before April 30, 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 April 30, 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 April 30, 2023.
- 5. If the Tenant does not void the order, the Tenant shall pay to the Landlord \$16,360.71. This amount includes rent arrears owing up to the date of the hearing and the cost of filing the application. 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 \$59.18 per day for the use of the unit starting January 31, 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 March 26, 2023, the Tenant will start to owe interest. This will be simple interest calculated from March 27, 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 April 30, 2023, then starting May 1, 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 May 1, 2023.

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In accordance with section 81 of the Act, the part of this order relating to the eviction expires on November 1, 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 March 31, 2023

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Rent Owing To March 31, 2023	\$21,300.00
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
Less the amount the Landlord owes the Tenant for an{abatement/rebate}	- \$0.00
Less the amount of the credit that the Tenant is entitled to	- \$0.00
Total the Tenant must pay to continue the tenancy	\$21,486.00

B. Amount the Tenant must pay to void the eviction order and continue the tenancy if the payment is made on or before April 30, 2023

Rent Owing To April 30, 2023	\$23,100.00
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
Less the amount the Landlord owes the Tenant for an{abatement/rebate}	- \$0.00
Less the amount of the credit that the Tenant is entitled to	- \$0.00
Total the Tenant must pay to continue the tenancy	\$23,286.00

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

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Rent Owing To Hearing Date	\$17,675.40
Application Filing Fee	\$186.00
NSF Charges	\$0.00
Less the amount the Tenant paid to the Landlord since the	- \$0.00
application was filed	
Less the amount the Tenant paid into the LTB since the	- \$0.00
application was filed	
Less the amount of the last month's rent deposit	- \$1,275.00
Less the amount of the interest on the last month's rent deposit	- \$225.69
Less the amount the Landlord owes the Tenant for an	- \$0.00
{abatement/rebate}	
Less the amount of the credit that the Tenant is entitled to	- \$0.00
Total amount owing to the Landlord	\$16,360.71
Plus daily compensation owing for each day of occupation starting	\$59.18
January 31, 2023	(per day)

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