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Order under Section 69 Residential Tenancies Act, 2006

Citation: Lee v Davah, 2023 ONLTB 25478 Date: 2023-03-14 File Number: LTB-L-034234-22

In the matter of: 22 KRISBURY AVE THORNHILL ON L4J9E2

Between: Chi Ping Lo and Sara Wan-Ching Lee

And

Gil El Davah

Chi Ping Lo and Sara Wan-Ching Lee (the 'Landlord') applied for an order to terminate the tenancy and evict Gil El Davah (the 'Tenant') because the Tenant did not pay the rent that the Tenant owes.

This application was heard by videoconference on February 1, 2023.

Only the Landlord's agent, D. Wei-Tzu Lee, the Landlord's sister, attended the hearing.

As of 10:00 a.m., 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:

- 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 \$2,400.00. It is due on the 1st day of each month.

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- 4. Based on the Monthly rent, the daily rent/compensation is \$78.90. This amount is calculated as follows: \$2,400.00 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 February 28, 2023 are \$24,950.00.
- 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 \$2,400.00 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 \$165.24 is owing to the Tenant for the period from June 1, 2018 to February 1, 2023.
- 10. The Landlord's agent, D. Lee (DL), said that the Tenant did not pay the rent in May 2022, and the Landlord began communicating with the Tenant at that time about payment. She said that the Tenant paid small amounts, but by May 2022, the Tenant stopped responding at all. She said that the Landlord sent to the Tenant emails, texts and called in December 2022 about payment, but there was no response. She also said that when the Landlord called last week, the Tenant had changed their number. The Landlord requests a standard termination order.
- 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 I find based on the above, that it would be unfair to grant relief from eviction pursuant to subsection 83(1) of the Act. In particular, the Landlord has attempted to communicate with the Tenant in multiple ways, and at various times, and there has been no response. It now appears that the Tenant has changed their number, and they are avoiding all communication from the Landlord. The arrears are substantial, and they are increasing each month. The Tenant has not paid any rent at all since June 2022. The tenancy is no longer viable, and it is prejudicial to the Landlord for the tenancy to continue.

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:
 - \$27,536.00 if the payment is made on or before March 25, 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

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that became due after March 25, 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 March 25, 2023.

- 5. If the Tenant does not void the order, the Tenant shall pay to the Landlord \$20,249.66. 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 \$78.90 per day for the use of the unit starting February 2, 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 25, 2023, the Tenant will start to owe interest. This will be simple interest calculated from March 26, 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 March 25, 2023, then starting March 26, 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 March 26, 2023.

<u>March 14, 2023</u>

Nancy Morris

Member, Landlord and Tenant Board

Date Issu ed

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 September 26, 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.

Schedule 1 SUMMARY OF CALCULATIONS

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A. <u>Amount the Tenant must pay to void the eviction order and continue the tenancy if</u> <u>the payment is made on or before March 25, 2023</u>

the payment is made on or before March 25, 2023	
Rent Owing To March 31, 2023	\$27,350.00
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 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	\$27,536.00
B. Amount the Tenant must pay if the tenancy is terminated	
Rent Owing To Hearing Date	\$22,628.90
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	- \$2,400.00
Less the amount of the interest on the last month's rent deposit	- \$165.24
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 amount owing to the Landlord	\$20,249.66
Plus daily compensation owing for each day of occupation starting	\$78.90
February 2, 2023	(per day)