Commission de la location immobilière

## Order under Section 69 Residential Tenancies Act, 2006

Citation: Melnyk v Blekaitis, 2024 ONLTB 29841

Date: 2024-04-19

**File Number:** LTB-L-085316-23

In the matter of: 80 EAST 33RD ST

HAMILTON ON L8V3T2

**Between:** Corey Melnyk

And

Kayla Blekaitis Dean Shavalier I hereby certify this is a true copy of an Order dated

APR 19, 2024

Landlord and Tenant Board

Landlord

**Tenant** 

Corey Melnyk (the 'Landlord') applied for an order to terminate the tenancy and evict Kayla Blekaitis and Dean Shavalier (the 'Tenant') because the Tenant did not pay the rent that the Tenant owes.

This application was heard by videoconference on March 19, 2024.

Only the Landlord and Landlord's Legal Representative, Lisa Duchene, attended the hearing.

As of 10:23AM, 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 Tenant was in possession of the rental unit on the date the application was filed.
- 2. The Tenant vacated the rental unit on January 31, 2024. At the hearing, the Landlord testified that the gave improper Notice that they were ending the tenancy. As a result, the Landlord claimed rent arrears to the end of February.
- 3. Section 83(2) of the Residential Tenancies Act, 2006 (the 'Act') reads as follows:
  - 37 (1) A tenancy may be terminated only in accordance with this Act.
  - (2) If a notice of termination is given in accordance with this Act and the tenant vacates the rental unit in accordance with the notice, the tenancy is terminated on the termination date set out in the notice. [Emphasis mine]
- 4. The Landlord served the Tenant with a valid Notice to End Tenancy Early for Non-payment of Rent (N4 Notice). And 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

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was filed. However, the Tenant voided the Notice by vacating prior to the hearing. Thus, arrears are calculated to that date. This is in line with Board Interpretation Guideline 11 and Board practice, as in order CEL-95902-20. Thus, the Rent arrears are calculated up to the date the Tenant vacated the unit.

- 5. The Tenant was in possession of the rental unit on the date the application was filed.
- 6. The Tenant vacated the rental unit on January 31, 2024. Rent arrears are calculated up to the date the Tenant vacated the unit.
- 7. The lawful rent is \$3,000.00. It was due on the 1st day of each month.
- 8. The Tenant has not made any payments since the application was filed.
- 9. The rent arrears owing to January 31, 2024 are \$10,250.00.
- 10. The Landlord incurred costs of \$186.00 for filing the application and is entitled to reimbursement of those costs.
- 11. The Landlord collected a rent deposit of \$3,000.00 from the Tenant and this deposit is still being held by the Landlord. The rent deposit is applied to the arrears of rent because the tenancy terminated.
- 12. Interest on the rent deposit, in the amount of \$39.25 is owing to the Tenant for the period from July 25, 2023 to January 31, 2024.

#### It is ordered that:

- 1. The tenancy between the Landlord and the Tenant is terminated as of January 31, 2024, the date the Tenant moved out of the rental unit
- 2. The Tenant shall pay to the Landlord \$7,396.75. This amount includes rent arrears owing up to the date the Tenant moved out of the rental unit and the cost of filing the application. The rent deposit and interest the Landlord owes on the rent deposit is deducted from the amount owing by the Tenant. See Schedule 1 for the calculation of the amount owing.
- 3. If the Tenant does not pay the Landlord the full amount owing on or before April 30, 2024, the Tenant will start to owe interest. This will be simple interest calculated from May 1, 2024 at 7.00% annually on the balance outstanding.

April 19, 2024
Date Issued

Henry Yeung

Member, Landlord and Tenant Board

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

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# Schedule 1 SUMMARY OF CALCULATIONS

### A. Amount the Tenant must pay as the tenancy is terminated

| Rent Owing To Move Out Date  | \$10,250.00  |
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| Application Filing Fee   | \$186.00     |
| NSF Charges  | \$0.00       |
| <b>Less</b> 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                                       | - \$3,000.00 |
| Less the amount of the interest on the last month's rent deposit                       | - \$39.25    |
| 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   | \$7,396.75   |