

DECISION AND STATEMENT OF REASONS OF MELANIE BARBOUR, LEGAL MEMBER OF THE FIRST-TIER TRIBUNAL WITH DELEGATED POWERS OF THE CHAMBER PRESIDENT

Under Rule 8 of the First-tier Tribunal for Scotland Housing and Property Chamber Rules of Procedure 2017 ("the Procedural Rules")

in connection with

Case reference FTS/HPC/EV/21/1519

Parties

Mr Steven Armstrong (Applicant)

Miss Natasha Armstrong (Respondent)

19 Saughton Mains Drive, Edinburgh, EH11 3PS (House)

- On 25 June 2021, an application was received from the applicant. The application was made under Rule 109 of the Procedural Rules, being an application to recover possession of a private residential tenancy.
- 2. By letters from the Tribunal dated 9 July, 6 August, 1 September and 8 October all 2021, the Tribunal requested further information including:-
 - The copy tenancy agreement is incomplete. Please provide a copy of the whole agreement.
 - b. The Notice to leave submitted does not specify the eviction ground in part 2. Please clarify the validity of the Notice.
 - c. Please confirm how and when the Notice to leave was given to the tenant, and provide evidence of this.
 - d. Please provide a copy of the Section 11 Notice.
 - e. Please provide evidence of the eviction ground, such as a home report or contract with an estate agent.

3. As at 15 November 2021 the information referred to in the preceding paragraph remained outstanding; and the applicant had failed to provide the further information requested.

DECISION

4. I considered the application in terms of Rule 8 of the Procedural Rules. That Rule provides:-

"Rejection of application

- 8.-(1) The Chamber President or another member of the First-tier Tribunal under the delegated powers of the Chamber President, must reject an application if -
- (a) they consider that the application is frivolous or vexatious;
- (b) the dispute to which the application relates has been resolved;
- (c) they have good reason to believe that it would not be appropriate to accept the application;
- (d) they consider that the application is being made for a purpose other than a purpose specified in the application; or
- (e) the applicant has previously made an identical or substantially similar application and in the opinion of the Chamber President or another member of the First-tier Tribunal, under the delegated powers of the Chamber President, there has been no significant change in any material considerations since the identical or substantially similar application was determined.
- (2) Where the Chamber President, or another member of the First-tier Tribunal, under the delegated powers of the Chamber President, makes a decision under paragraph (1) to reject an application the First-tier Tribunal must notify the applicant and the notification must state the reason for the decision."
- 5. After consideration of the application, the attachments and correspondence from the applicant, I consider that the application should be rejected on the basis that I have good reason to believe that it would not be appropriate to accept the application within the meaning of Rule 8(1)(c) of the Procedural Rules.

REASONS FOR DECISION

6. The Tribunal has requested further information to support this application from the

applicant. The applicant has not provided the information requested.

7. I consider that the applicant's failure to provide this information to support the application,

as requested by the Tribunal, gives me good reason to believe that it would not be

appropriate to accept the application in circumstances where the applicant is apparently

unable to do so in order to progress this application.

8. Accordingly, for this reason, the application must be rejected upon the basis that I have

good reason to believe that it would not be appropriate to accept the application within the

meaning of Rule 8(1)(c) of the Procedural Rules.

What you should do now

If you accept the Legal Member's decision, there is no need to reply.

If you disagree with this decision:-

An applicant aggrieved by the decision of the Chamber President, or any Legal Member acting

under delegated powers, may appeal to the Upper Tribunal for Scotland on a point of law only.

Before an appeal can be made to the Upper Tribunal, the party must first seek permission to

appeal from the First-tier Tribunal. That party must seek permission to appeal within 30 days

of the date the decision was sent to them. Information about the appeal procedure can be

forwarded to you on request.

Melanie Barbour

Legal Member

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