

DECISION AND STATEMENT OF REASONS OF JOSEPHINE BONNAR, 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 Procedure Rules")

in connection with

19 Westfarm Drive, Glasgow ("the Property")

Case Reference: FTS/HPC/EV/23/0628

Uber Lettings, Suite 3 Firhill Business Centre, 74 Firhill Road, Glasgow ("the Applicant")

Steven Harvey, 19 Westfarm Drive, Glasgow ("the Respondent")

- The Applicant seeks an order for eviction in terms of Rule 109 of the Procedure Rules and Section 51 of the Private Housing Tenancies (Scotland) Act 2016.
 No documents were submitted with the application.
- 2. On 1 March 2023, the Tribunal administration issued a request for further information and documents. The Applicant was asked to provide a copy of the Notice to leave, with evidence of service on the Respondent, the section 11 notice sent to the Local Authority and evidence in support of the eviction ground. No response was received. On 4 April 2023, the Tribunal issued a further letter, directing the Applicant to provide the documents previously requested, or the application may be rejected. No response has been received.

Decision

3. After consideration of the application the Legal Member considers that the

application should be rejected in terms of Rule 8(1)(c) which states that an application must be rejected if the Tribunal has "good reason to believe that it would not be appropriate to accept the application."

Reasons for Decision

- 4. The Applicant submitted an application for an eviction order in terms of Rule 109 of the Rules. The Applicant did not lodge evidence in support of the eviction grounds, the Notice to Leave or section 11 notice, all of which are required in terms of Rule 109. The Applicant has been issued with two requests for these documents to be provided, but no response has been received.
- 5. Rule 5 of the Procedure Rules states that an application "is held to have been made on the date that it is lodged if, on that date, it is lodged in the manner as set out in rules.....105 to 111, as appropriate". In terms of Rules 5(2) and (3) the Chamber President or a Member with delegated powers must assess whether the "mandatory requirements for lodgement have been met" and "may request further documents". Rule 109 requires an Applicant to lodge a copy of the Notice to Leave which has been given to the Respondent, a copy of the Section 11 Notice sent to the Local Authority and evidence in support of the eviction ground. The Applicant did not submit this with the application and has failed to provide these documents when directed to do so by the Tribunal in terms of Rule 5(3).
- 6. As the Applicant has failed to comply with Rules 5 and 109 of the Procedure Rules, the Legal Member is satisfied that there is good reason to believe that it would not be appropriate to accept the application. The application is rejected on that basis.

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.

Josephine Bonnar, Legal Member 9 May 2023