

# 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/21/0778

#### **Parties**

**Mr Thomas Hollywood (Applicant)** 

MR DYLAN STIRLING (Respondent)

26 Inzievar Terrace, Oakley, KY12 9SJ (Property)

- 1. On 25 March 2021, an application was received from the applicant. The application was made under Rule 109 of the Procedural Rules, being an application for an order for eviction.
- 2. By letters from the Tribunal dated 8 April, 5 May and 4 June all 2021, the Tribunal requested further information namely:-
  - 1. Please provide evidence of service of the Notice to Leave on the tenant.
  - 2. Please sign the application form and return to the Tribunal.
  - 3. The Notice to Leave does not state the date after which an application may be made for an eviction order. Please provide your written submissions on the validity of the notice.
  - 4. The section 11 Notice to the local authority does not indicate the legislation under which proceedings are to be raised. Please provide a properly completed section 11 Notice with evidence of service on the local authority.
- 3. The applicant failed to provide the further information requested.

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

Melanie Barbour Legal Member 8 July 2021