

DECISION AND STATEMENT OF REASONS OF ALISON KELLY, 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 Rules")

in connection with

27 E Johnston Avenue, Stirling. FK9 5DD

Case Reference: FTS/HPC/PR/18/1427

Mr. Robert Rooney ("the Applicant")

Mr Raymond Knox ("the Respondent")

The Application was lodged under Rule 103 of the Chamber Procedural Rules on 7<sup>th</sup> June 2018, being an application by tenant seeking an order for payment where the landlord has not paid the deposit in to an approved scheme. The Applicant states in his application that he was the tenant of the property until approximately Friday 28<sup>th</sup> July 2017.

**DECISION** 

I considered the application in terms of Rule 8 of the Chamber 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."
- After consideration of the application and supporting documentation, I consider that the application should be rejected on the basis that it is not appropriate to accept it in terms of Rule 8(1) (c) of the Procedural Rules.

Applications brought under Regulation 103 of the Procedure Rules relate to regulation 9 of The Tenancy Deposit Schemes (Scotland) Regulations 2011. Regulation 9(2) thereof states that any application must be made no later than three months after the tenancy has ended. Given that the tenancy ended around 28<sup>th</sup> July 2017 this application is time barred.

For this reason I am rejecting the Application.

The Applicant may wish to proceed with an application under Rule 70.

## 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.

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Miss Alison Kelly Legal Member 25<sup>th</sup> June 2018