# IN THE MATTER between **INUVIK HOUSING AUTHORITY**, Applicant, and **BOBBY ROSS AND LORI ANN KUNNIZZI**, Respondents;

AND IN THE MATTER of the **Residential Tenancies Act** R.S.N.W.T. 1988, Chapter R-5 (the "Act") and amendments thereto;

AND IN THE MATTER of a Hearing before, **HAL LOGSDON**, Rental Officer, regarding the rental premises at **INUVIK**, **NT**.

BETWEEN:

### **INUVIK HOUSING AUTHORITY**

Applicant/Landlord

- and -

### **BOBBY ROSS AND LORI ANN KUNNIZZI**

Respondents/Tenants

## **EVICTION ORDER**

### IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

 Pursuant to section 63(4)(a) of the *Residential Tenancies Act*, the respondents shall be evicted forthwith from the premises known as Apartment 111 (also known as unit TP6111, Twin Lake Apartments), 44 Tununuk Place, Inuvik, NT.

DATED at the City of Yellowknife, in the Northwest Territories this 1st day of November, 2012.

Hal Logsdon Rental Officer IN THE MATTER between **INUVIK HOUSING AUTHORITY**, Applicant, and **BOBBY ROSS AND LORI ANN KUNNIZZI**, Respondents.

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#### **REASONS FOR DECISION**

Date of the Hearing:	October 30, 2012
Place of the Hearing:	Inuvik, NT via teleconference
Appearances at Hearing:	Diana Tingmiak, representing the applicant
Date of Decision:	November 1, 2012

#### **REASONS FOR DECISION**

The respondents were personally served with Notices of Attendance but failed to appear at the hearing. The hearing was held in their absence.

The premises are subsidized public housing. The parties entered into a term tenancy agreement commencing on July 1, 2012 and ending on July 31, 2012. The applicant stated that the respondents had repeatedly disturbed other tenants in the residential complex. No new tenancy agreement was formed after July 31, 2012.

The applicant sought an eviction order and an order requiring the respondents to pay compensation for use and occupation of the rental premises after July 31, 2012.

Section 51(4) of the *Residential Tenancies Act* sets out the following provision for termination of a tenancy agreement for public housing made for a term of 31 days or less:

- 51. (3) Where a tenancy agreement for subsidized public housing specifies a date for termination of the agreement, the landlord may terminate the tenancy on the date specified in the agreement by giving the tenant a notice of termination not later than 30 days before that date.
  - (4) Notwithstanding subsection (3), where a tenancy agreement for subsidized public housing specifies a date for termination of the agreement that is 31 days or less after the commencement of the agreement, it terminates on the specified date.

The Act does not require a reason or a notice pursuant to section 51(4).

In order to issue an eviction order a rental officer must be satisfied that the tenancy agreement has been terminated in accordance with the Act and that the eviction is justified. Section 63(4) outlines these two tests.

- 63. (4) A rental officer who terminates a tenancy or determines <u>that a tenancy has</u> <u>been terminated in accordance with this Act</u>, and who determines <u>that an</u> <u>eviction is justified</u>, may make an order
  - (a) evicting the tenant on the date specified for the termination of the tenancy in the agreement, notice or order, or on the earliest reasonable date after the date of termination of the tenancy; and
  - (b) requiring the tenant to compensate the landlord for the use and occupation of the rental premises, calculated for each day the tenant remains in occupation following the termination of the tenancy.

In this matter, I find that the tenancy was terminated in accordance with the provisions of section

51(4) of the Act. The applicant's testimony concerning repeated disturbances, undisputed by the

respondents, is sufficient justification for eviction.

An order shall issue evicting the respondents forthwith. An order regarding the compensation for

use and occupation shall be issued separately.

Hal Logsdon Rental Officer