

Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards
Ministry of Housing and Social Development

Decision

Dispute Codes: OPR, MNR, FF

Introduction

This hearing dealt with the landlord's application for an order of possession, a monetary order for unpaid rent and recovery of the filing fee for this application. The landlord's agent participated in the hearing and gave affirmed testimony. Despite being served in person on January 20, 2009 with the application for dispute resolution and notice of hearing, the tenant did not attend the hearing.

<u>Issues to be Decided</u>

- Whether the landlord is entitled to an order of possession
- Whether the landlord is entitled to a monetary order under the Act

Background and Evidence

There was no written residential tenancy agreement submitted into evidence for this month-to-month tenancy which began on January 31, 2004. Rent in the amount of \$500.00 is payable in advance on the first day of each month. There is no record of a security deposit having been collected.

The tenant failed to pay rent for the month of January 2009 when it was due on the first of the month. Accordingly, the landlord served the tenant with a 10 day notice to end tenancy for unpaid rent. Subsequently, on February 9, 2009 the tenant paid rent for January 2009. However, the tenant has failed to pay rent for the month of February 2009.

The landlord submitted into evidence a copy of the 10 day notice dated January 12, 2009 which was served in person on the tenant that same day.

<u>Analysis</u>

Based on the documentary evidence and undisputed testimony of the landlord's agent, I

find that the tenant was served with the application for dispute resolution and notice of

hearing.

I also find that the tenant was served with a 10 day notice to end tenancy for unpaid

rent. The tenant did not pay the outstanding rent within 5 days of receiving the notice

and did not apply to dispute the notice. The tenant is therefore conclusively presumed

under section 46(5) of the Act to have accepted that the tenancy ended on the effective

date of the notice which was January 22, 2009. Accordingly, I find that the landlord is

entitled to an order of possession.

As for the monetary order, I find the landlord has established a claim for \$550.00 which

is comprised of unpaid rent of \$500.00 for February 2009, in addition to the \$50.00 filing

fee for this application. I therefore grant the landlord a monetary order under section 67

of the Act for \$550.00.

Conclusion

I hereby issue an order of possession in favour of the landlord effective not later than

two (2) days after service upon the tenant. This order must be served on the tenant.

Should the tenant fail to comply with the order, the order may be filed in the Supreme

Court of British Columbia and enforced as an order of that Court.

I hereby grant the landlord a monetary order under section 67 of the *Act* for \$550.00.

This order may be served on the tenant, filed in the Small Claims Court and enforced as

an order of that Court.

DATE: February 17, 2009

Dispute Resolution Officer