

Dispute Resolution Services

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

Decision

Dispute Codes: OPR, MNR, MNSD, FF

<u>Introduction</u>

This hearing dealt with an application from the landlord for an order of possession, a monetary order in compensation for unpaid rent, retention of the security deposit in partial satisfaction of the claim, and recovery of the filing fee for this application. Both parties, with the landlord represented by his agent, participated in the hearing and gave affirmed testimony.

<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

Pursuant to a written residential tenancy agreement, the month-to-month tenancy began on September 1, 2006. Rent is currently payable in advance on the first day of the month in the amount of \$650.00, and a security deposit of \$225.00 was collected on August 15, 2006.

The tenant failed to pay all rent due for the month of January 2009. Accordingly, the landlord issued a 10 day notice to end tenancy for unpaid rent. Subsequently, the tenant failed to pay any rent for each of the months of February and March 2009.

The landlord submitted into evidence a copy of the 10 day notice dated January 2, 2009 which the tenant acknowledged having received.

<u>Analysis</u>

Based on the documentary evidence and testimony of the parties, I 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 12, 2009. Accordingly, I find that the landlord is entitled to an order of possession.

As for the monetary order, I find that the landlord has established a claim of \$1,500.00. This is comprised of unpaid rent of \$150.00 for January, unpaid rent of \$650.00 for February, unpaid rent of \$650.00 for March 2009, and the \$50.00 filing fee for this application. I order that the landlord retain the security deposit of \$225.00 plus interest of \$7.26, which results in the landlord's entitlement to \$1,267.74 (\$1,500.00 - \$232.26).

Pursuant to section 63 of the Act, during the hearing the landlord offered a concession to the tenant with the result that the landlord seeks a monetary order limited only to \$1,000.00. Accordingly, I grant the landlord a monetary order under section 67 of the Act for \$1,000.00.

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 \$1,000.00. This order may be served on the tenant, filed in the Small Claims Court and enforced as an order of that Court.

DATE: March 12, 2009	
	Dispute Resolution Officer