

# **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 was convened in response to an application by the landlord for an Order of Possession due to unpaid rent, a Monetary Order to recover rental arrears and inclusive of recovery of the filing fee associated with this application.

I accept that despite having been served with the application for dispute resolution and notice of hearing by registered mail in accordance with Section 89 of the Residential Tenancy Act (the Act) the tenant did not participate in the conference call hearing.

#### Issue(s) to be Decided

Is the notice to end tenancy valid? Is the landlord entitled to an Order of Possession? Is the landlord entitled to the monetary amounts claimed?

#### **Background and Evidence**

The tenancy began on December 01, 2009. Rent in the amount of \$860 is payable in advance on the first day of each month. At the outset of the tenancy, the landlord collected a security deposit from the tenant in the amount of \$430. The tenant failed to pay rent in the months of March 2009 and on March 24, 2009 the landlord served the tenant with a notice to end tenancy for non-payment of rent. The tenant further failed to pay rent in the month of April 2009 and on April 06, 2009 the landlord served the tenant with another notice to end tenancy for non-payment of rent. All but \$35 of these arrears were eventually paid by a third party and the landlord accepted the payment for use and occupancy only. The tenant further failed to pay rent in the month of April 2009, \$25 NSF charge for March 2009, \$25 NSF for April 2009,

\$860 rent for May 2009 and \$860 rent for June 2009. The quantum of the landlord's monetary claim is **\$1805.** 

The landlord seeks an Order of Possession for as soon as possible.

#### <u>Analysis</u>

Based on the landlord's testimony I find that the tenant was served with a notice to end tenancy for non-payment of rent and I find the notice to be valid. The tenant has not paid the outstanding rent and did not apply for dispute resolution to dispute the notice and is therefore conclusively presumed to have accepted that the tenancy ended on the effective date of the notice.

Based on the above facts 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 for **\$1805** in unpaid rent. The landlord is also entitled to recovery of the \$50 filing fee, for a total entitlement of **\$1855**.

#### **Conclusion**

**I grant** an Order of Possession to the landlord. The tenant must be served with this Order of Possession. 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 order that the landlord retain the deposit and interest of \$430.55 in partial satisfaction of the claim and I grant the landlord an order under section 67 for the balance due of \$1424.45. If necessary, this order may be filed in the Small Claims Court and enforced as an order of that Court.

Dated June 10, 2009