

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Ministry of Housing and Social Development

DECISION

Dispute Codes: OPR, MNR, FF

<u>Introduction</u>

This hearing dealt with an application by the Landlord pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* for an order of possession and a monetary order for unpaid rent and the filing fee.

The notice of hearing was served on the tenant on October 19, 2009 by registered mail. The landlord provided the tracking number. Despite having been served the notice of hearing, the tenant did not attend the hearing. The landlord attended the hearing and was given full opportunity to present evidence and make submissions

The tenant moved out on November 16, 2009. Since the tenant has moved out, the landlord withdrew his application for an order of possession. Therefore, this hearing only dealt with the landlord's monetary claim for unpaid rent and the filing fee.

Issues to be decided

Is the landlord entitled to a monetary order to recover unpaid rent and the filing fee?

Background and Evidence

The landlord testified that the tenancy started on November 29, 2006. The monthly rent was \$500.00 due in advance on the first of each month.

The tenant failed to pay rent for September and October. On October 06, 2009 the landlord served the tenant with a ten day notice to end tenancy. The tenant did not pay the outstanding rent and continued to occupy the rental unit until he moved out on November 16, 2009. The landlord is claiming rent for September, October and November (\$1,500.00) and the filing fee (\$50.00).

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<u>Analysis</u>

Section 26 of the Residential Tenancy Act, states that a tenant must pay rent when it is

due under the tenancy agreement. In the absence of evidence to the contrary, I find

that the tenant owes rent for September, October and November for a total of

\$1,500.00.

The landlord has proven his case and is therefore also entitled to the recovery of the

filing fee in the amount of \$50.00.

Overall the landlord has established a total claim of \$1,550.00. I grant the landlord an

order under section 67 of the Residential Tenancy Act for this amount. This order may

be filed in the Small Claims Court and enforced as an order of that Court.

Conclusion

I grant the landlord a monetary order for \$1,550.00

This decision is made on authority delegated to me by the Director of the Residential

Tenancy Branch under Section 9.1(1) of the Residential Tenancy Act.

Dated: December 03,	2009.	