

DECISION

Dispute Codes:

MNR, MNSD, FF

Introduction

This hearing was convened in response to an application by the landlord pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* for Orders as follows:

1. A Monetary Order for unpaid rent - Section 67;
2. An Order to retain the security - Section 38
3. An Order to recover the filing fee for this application - Section 72.

I accept the landlord's evidence that despite the tenant 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. The landlord provided registered mail receipts and tracking number for same. I find the tenant was properly served with notice of today's hearing.

The landlord was given full opportunity to be heard, to present evidence and to make submissions.

Issue(s) to be Decided

Is the notice to end tenancy valid?

Is the landlord entitled to the monetary amounts claimed?

Background and Evidence

The tenancy began on November 1, 2009. Rent in the amount of \$950 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 \$475. The tenant failed to pay rent in the month of February 2010 and on February 04, 2010 the landlord served the tenant with a notice to end tenancy for non-payment of rent. The tenant vacated in compliance with the Notice to End. The landlord's monetary claim is for the unpaid rent and utilities of \$22.78 for February 2010 in the total amount of **\$972.78**.

Analysis

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 has not applied for Dispute Resolution to dispute the notice or the unpaid rent and vacated the rental unit.

I find that the landlord has established a monetary claim for **\$972.78** in unpaid rent and utilities. The landlord is also entitled to recovery of the \$50 filing fee, for a total entitlement of **\$1022.78**.

Conclusion

I order that the landlord retain the **deposit** of \$475 in partial satisfaction of the claim and I grant the landlord an order under Section 67 of the Act for the balance due of **\$547.78**. If necessary, this order may be filed in the Small Claims Court and enforced as an order of that Court.

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*.