

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General

DECISION

Dispute Codes OPR, MNR, MNSD, MNSD, O, FF

Introduction

This hearing dealt with an application by the landlord for an order of possession for unpaid rent, a monetary order for unpaid rent, compensation for damage or loss, to keep all or part of the security deposit, other and recovery of the filing fee. The landlord participated in the conference call hearing but the tenant did not. The landlord presented evidence that the tenant was served with the application for dispute resolution and notice of hearing by registered mail. I found that the tenant had been properly served with notice of the landlord's claim and the date and time of the hearing and the hearing proceeded in their absence.

Issue(s) to be Decided

Is the landlord entitled to any of the above under the Act.

Summary of Background and Evidence

This fixed term tenancy began June 21, 2010 with monthly rent of \$1150.00, the tenant paid a security deposit of \$575.00. On February 2, 2011 the landlord served the tenant with a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent.

The landlord testified that the tenant owes unpaid rent and late fees for February 2011 and March 2011 for a total owing of \$2340.00. The landlord's agent stated that the tenant vacated the rental unit on February 28, 2011 and did not return the keys to the landlord or take part in the move-out inspection; the tenant did not leave the landlord a forwarding address. The landlord in this application is seeking a monetary order for \$2340.00.

As the tenant has vacated the rental unit the landlord no longer requires an order of possession and this portion of their application is hereby dismissed.

<u>Analysis</u>

Based on the documentary evidence and testimony I find that the tenant was properly served with a notice to end tenancy for non-payment of rent. The tenant did not pay the outstanding rent within 5 days of receiving the notice 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 a monetary order for unpaid rent and late fees..

I find that the landlord has established a claim for \$2340.00 in unpaid rent and late fees.

The landlord is entitled to recovery of the \$50.00 filing fee.

Conclusion

I find that the landlord has established a monetary claim for \$2340.00 in unpaid rent and late fees. The landlord is also entitled to recovery of the \$50.00 filing fee. I order the landlord pursuant to s. 38(4) of the Act to keep the tenant's \$575.00 security deposit in partial satisfaction of the claim and I grant the landlord a monetary order under section 67 for the balance due of **\$1815.00** (\$2340.00+\$50.00=\$2390.00-\$575.00=\$1815.00)

A monetary order in the amount of **\$1815.00** has been issued to the landlord and a copy of it must be served on the tenant. If the amount is not paid by the tenant, the Order may be filed in the Provincial (Small Claims) Court of British Columbia 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*.

Dated: March 10, 2011.

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