

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes: OPR, MNR, FF

Introduction

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 June 11, 2011, by registered mail. The landlord provided the tracking number. The landlord also visited the rental unit and served the notice of hearing to the tenant's brother who lives in the unit. 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.

Issues to be decided

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

Background and Evidence

The tenancy started on January 22, 2011. The rent is \$1,200.00 payable on the first of each month. The tenant failed to pay rent for May and on May 11, 2011 the landlord served the tenant with a notice to end tenancy. The tenant did not pay rent, but continued to occupy the rental unit and now owes the landlord rent for May and June in the amount of \$2,400.00.

The landlord stated that she visited the rental unit on June 24 and found the unit empty except for one room.

The landlord has applied for an order of possession effective two days after service on the tenant and a monetary order for unpaid rent (\$2,400.00) plus the filing fee of (\$50.00).

<u>Analysis</u>

Based on the undisputed sworn testimony of the landlord, I accept the landlord's evidence in respect of the claim. The tenant received the notice to end tenancy for unpaid rent, on May 11, 2011 and did not pay rent within five days of receiving the notice to end tenancy nor did the tenant make application, pursuant to Section 46 to set aside the notice to end a residential tenancy, and the time to do so has expired.

In these situations, the *Residential Tenancy Act* provides that the tenant has been deemed to have accepted the end of the tenancy, on the date set out in the Notice. Pursuant to section 55(2) I am issuing a formal order of possession effective two days after service on the tenant. The Order may be filed in the Supreme Court for enforcement.

I also find that the landlord is entitled to \$2,400.00 for unpaid rent and \$50.00 for the filing fee. I grant the landlord an order under section 67 of the *Residential Tenancy Act* for the amount of \$2,450.00. This order may be filed in the Small Claims Court and enforced as an order of that Court.

Conclusion

I grant the landlord an order of possession effective two days after service on the tenant and a monetary order for **\$2,450.00**.

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: June 30, 2011.

Residential Tenancy Branch