

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes OPR, MNR, MNSD, 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, to keep all or part of the security deposit 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.

Background and Evidence

This tenancy began September 1, 2010 with monthly rent of \$950.00, the tenant paid a security deposit of \$700.00. On April 8, 2011 the landlord served the tenant with a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent.

The landlord testified that the tenant had abandoned the rental property sometime in late May or early June 2011. The landlord stated that throughout the tenancy the tenant had never been able to pay the rent in full and at the time the tenant vacated the rental property the landlord was owed \$2993.78 in unpaid rent.

The landlord stated that the tenant had left the house in such bad condition that it had to be demolished and the landlord incurred a cost of \$1900.00 just to have all of the trash and debris from inside the house removed and taken to the dump. The landlord stated that the day they went to check on the property and found it to be abandoned, someone had already broken it and stolen some of the appliances.

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The landlord in this application is seeking \$2993.78 compensation for unpaid rent.

Analysis

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 an order of possession and a monetary order for unpaid rent.

I find that the landlord has established a claim for \$2993.78 in unpaid rent.

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

Conclusion

I find that the landlord has established a monetary claim for \$2993.78 in unpaid rent. 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 \$700.00 security deposit in partial satisfaction of the claim and I grant the landlord a monetary order under section 67 for the balance due of **\$2343.78** (\$2993.78-\$700.00=\$2293.78+\$50.00=\$2343.78)

A monetary order in the amount of **\$2343.78** 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: June 16, 2011.	
	Residential Tenancy Branch