

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

# **DECISION**

<u>Dispute Codes</u> OPR MNR MNSD MNDC FF

#### Introduction

This hearing dealt with an application by the landlord for an order of possession, a monetary order and an order to retain the security deposit in partial satisfaction of the claim. Despite having been served with the application for dispute resolution and notice of hearing by registered mail on July 20, 2011, the tenant did not participate in the conference call hearing.

#### Issue(s) to be Decided

Is the landlord entitled to an order of possession? Is the landlord entitled to a monetary order?

## Background and Evidence

The tenancy began on August 1, 2011. Rent in the amount of \$960 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 \$462.50. The tenant failed to pay rent in the month of July 2011 and on July 2, 2011 the landlord served the tenant with a notice to end tenancy for non-payment of rent. The tenant further failed to pay rent in the month of August 2011. In their application, the landlord claimed \$960 for July 2011 rent, \$25 for a late payment fee as per the tenancy agreement and \$960 for lost revenue for August 2011. In the hearing, the landlord stated that they had served the tenant with a notice of rent increase for August 2011, and they wished to amend their application to claim \$980 for August 2011.

#### <u>Analysis</u>

Based on the landlord's testimony I find that the tenant was served with a notice to end tenancy for non-payment of rent. The tenant has not paid the outstanding rent and has not applied for dispute resolution to dispute the notice and is therefore conclusively

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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.

As for the monetary order, I find that the landlord has established a claim for \$985 in unpaid rent and the late payment fee for July 2011, and lost revenue for August 2011. I accept the landlord's testimony that the tenant was served with notice of the rent increase, and I accordingly amend the application to claim \$980 for August 2011. The landlord is also entitled to recovery of the \$50 filing fee.

### Conclusion

I grant the landlord an order of possession effective two days from service. The tenant must be served with the order of possession. Should the tenant fail to comply with the order, the order may be filed in the Supreme Court of British Columbia and enforced as an order of that Court.

The landlord is entitled to \$2015. I order that the landlord retain the security deposit of \$462.50 in partial satisfaction of the claim and I grant the landlord an order under section 67 for the balance due of \$1552.50. 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*.

Dated: August 4, 2011.	
	Residential Tenancy Branch