

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

## **DECISION**

Dispute Codes FF, MNR, OPR

#### 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. Both parties participated in the conference call hearing.

#### Issues to be Decided

Is the landlord entitled to an order of possession?

Is the landlord entitled to a monetary order for unpaid rent and loss of income?

#### Background and Evidence

The tenancy began on or about July 1, 2011. Rent in the amount of \$950.00 is payable in advance on the first day of each month. The tenant failed to pay rent in the month(s) of September 2011- November 2011 and on November 29, 2011 the landlord served the tenant with a notice to end tenancy. The tenant further failed to pay rent in the month(s) of December 2011 and January-February 2012. Based on the fact the amount of rent exceeds that amount allowable under the Act for this type of application, the landlords counsel amended their claim and is seeking \$4950.00 in unpaid rent.

The tenants were forthright and very clear about accepting their responsibilities as tenant's and was due to a string of unfortunate events that led them to this situation. The tenant's were remorseful and never had any bad intentions towards the landlord.

## <u>Analysis</u>

I accept the landlord's undisputed testimony and I find that the tenant was 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. 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.

As for the monetary order, I find that the landlord has established a claim for \$4950.00 in unpaid rent. The landlord is also entitled to recovery of the \$50.00 filing fee. I grant the landlord an order under section 67 for the balance due of \$5000.00. This order may be filed in the Small Claims Division of the Provincial Court and enforced as an order of that Court.

## Conclusion

The landlord is granted an order of possession and a monetary order for \$5000.00. The landlord may retain the security deposit.

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: February 14, 2012.	
	Residential Tenancy Branch