

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 December 1, 2011 with monthly rent of \$440.00 and the tenant paid a security deposit of \$150.00.

On February 8, 2012 the landlord served the tenant with a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent, the tenant has not filed to dispute this notice.

The landlord testified that the tenant did not pay the January 2012 rent in full, did not paid any of the February 2012 rent and owes the landlord \$730.00 in unpaid rent and \$50.00 in late fees.

The landlord stated that they posted a 24 hour notice and inspected the tenant's unit to make sure the tenant was ok and that when they inspected the rental unit they found that most of the tenant's personal belongings had been removed and the landlord believes that the tenant has abandoned the rental unit.

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The landlord in this application is seeking a monetary order for \$780.00 in unpaid rent and late fees and an order of possession effective 2 days after service upon the tenant.

<u>Analysis</u>

Based on the documentary evidence and testimony of the parties 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.

Accordingly I find that the landlord is entitled to a monetary order for \$780.00.

As the landlord has been successful in their application the landlord is entitled to recovery of the \$50.00 filing fee.

Conclusion

I hereby grant the landlord an **Order of Possession**, effective **2 days** after service of the Order upon the tenant(s). This Order must be served on the tenant(s) and may be filed in the Supreme Court of British Columbia and enforced as an Order of that Court.

I find that the landlord has established a monetary claim for \$780.00 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 \$150.00 security deposit in partial satisfaction of the claim and I grant the landlord a monetary order under section 67 for the balance due of **\$680.00**.

If the amount is not paid by the tenant(s), 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 12, 2012	
	Residential Tenancy Branch