

Dispute Resolution Services

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, a monetary order and an order to retain the security deposit in partial satisfaction of the claim. Despite having been personally served with the application for dispute resolution and notice of hearing and having signed acknowledging receipt of those documents in the presence of a witness on April 11, 2012, the tenants did not participate 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 undisputed evidence of the landlord's agent is as follows. The tenancy began on or about March 1, 2012. Rent in the amount of \$900.00 is payable in advance on the first day of each month. At the outset of the tenancy the landlord collected from the tenants a security deposit in the amount of \$450.00. The tenants failed to pay rent in the month of April and on April 2, the landlord personally served the tenants with a notice to end tenancy.

<u>Analysis</u>

I accept the landlord's undisputed testimony and I find that the tenants did not pay rent for the month of April and on April 2 were served with a notice to end tenancy for nonpayment of rent. The tenants 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 are 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 tenants must be served with the order of possession. Should the tenants fail to comply with the order, it 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 is entitled to recover the unpaid rent for the month of April as well as the \$50.00 filing fee paid to bring this application. I order that the landlord retain the \$450.00 security deposit in partial satisfaction of the claim and I grant the landlord a monetary order under section 67 for the balance due of \$500.00. 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 \$500.00. The landlord will 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: April 26, 2012

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