

# **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 tenants did not. The landlord presented evidence that the tenants were served with the application for dispute resolution and notice of hearing in person. I found that the tenants 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 April 26, 2008 with monthly rent of \$900.00 and the tenants paid a security deposit of \$450.00.

On April 4, 2012 the landlord served the tenants with a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent; the tenants have not filed to dispute this notice.

The landlord testified that for the past months the tenants have had financial difficulties and have been paying their rent in partial payments. The landlord stated that as of today's date the tenants owe the landlord \$1435.00 in unpaid rent.

The landlord stated that after serving the tenants with the notice to end tenancy the tenants made a payment on April 24, 26 and May 6, 2012 and that the landlord gave the tenants a receipt stating 'for use and occupancy only' on each of these occasions. The landlord did state in this hearing that if the tenants are able to pay the rent arrears in full and agree to pay the rent on the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month that the landlord will not enforce the order of possession.

### <u>Analysis</u>

Based on the documentary evidence and undisputed testimony of the landlord I find that the tenants were properly served with a notice to end tenancy for non-payment 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 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 \$1435.00.

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 \$1435.00 in unpaid rent. The landlord is also entitled to recovery of the \$50.00 filing fee. I grant the landlord a monetary order under section 67 for the amount of **\$1485.00**.

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: May 9, 2012

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