

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 was scheduled in response to the landlord's Application for Dispute Resolution, in which the landlord has requested an Order of Possession for Unpaid Rent, a monetary Order for unpaid rent, to retain all or part of the security deposit, and to recover the filing fee from the tenant for the cost of this Application for Dispute Resolution.

Both parties were present at the hearing. At the start of the hearing I introduced myself and the participants. The hearing process was explained, evidence was reviewed and the parties were provided with an opportunity to ask questions about the hearing process. They were provided with the opportunity to submit documentary evidence prior to this hearing, all of which has been reviewed, to present affirmed oral testimony and to make submissions during the hearing. I have considered all of the evidence and testimony provided.

Preliminary Matter

The landlord withdrew the request for an order of possession; the tenants are vacating the rental unit as the result of the 10 Day Notice to End

Issue(s) to be Decided

Is the landlord entitled to a monetary Order for unpaid rent?

May the landlord retain the deposit paid by the tenants?

Is the landlord entitled to filing fee costs?

Background and Evidence

The tenancy commenced on August 1, 2009; rent is \$1,500.00 per month. A deposit in the sum of \$1,500.00 was paid.

The tenants acknowledged receipt of a 10 day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent that was issued on April 7, 2012; they did not dispute the Notice.

The tenants agreed that they owed \$1,000.00 rent for April and \$1,500.00 for May, 2012, rent.

The tenants are moving out and the parties agreed to meet so that a condition inspection report could be completed.

<u>Analysis</u>

Based on the acknowledgement of the tenants I find that the landlord is entitled to compensation for unpaid April and May, 2012, rent in the sum of \$2,500.00.

I find that the tenancy will end once the tenants provide vacant possession of the unit to the landlord.

I find that the landlord's application has merit and that the landlord is entitled to recover the filing fee from the tenant for the cost of this Application for Dispute Resolution.

I find that the landlord is entitled to retain the tenant's security deposit in the amount of \$750.00, in partial satisfaction of the monetary claim.

Conclusion

I find that the landlord has established a monetary claim, in the amount of \$2,550.00, which is comprised of unpaid April and May, 2012, rent and \$50.00 in compensation for the filing fee paid by the landlord for this Application for Dispute Resolution.

The landlord will be retaining the tenant's security deposit in the amount of \$750.00, in partial satisfaction of the monetary claim.

Based on these determinations I grant the landlord a monetary Order for the balance of \$1,800.00. In the event that the tenants do not comply with this Order, it may be served on the tenants, filed with the Province of British Columbia 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: May 04, 2012.

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