

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes Landlord: OPR, MNR, MNSD, FF

Tenant: CNR

<u>Introduction</u>

This hearing dealt with cross Applications for Dispute Resolution. The landlord sought an order of possession and a monetary order and the tenant sought to cancel a notice to end tenancy.

The hearing was conducted via teleconference and was attended by the landlord, her agent and witness

The landlord provided documentary evidence to confirm the tenant was served with the notice of hearing documents and this Application for Dispute Resolution, pursuant to Section 59(3) of the *Residential Tenancy Act (Act)* by registered mail on August 17, 2012 in accordance with Section 89. As per Section 90, the documents are deemed received by the tenant on the 5th day after it was mailed.

Based on the submission of the landlord and the fact the tenant had applied to cancel the notice to end tenancy, I find that the tenant has been sufficiently served with the documents pursuant to the *Act*.

Issue(s) to be Decided

The issues to be decided are whether the landlord is entitled to an order of possession for unpaid rent; to a monetary order for unpaid rent; for all or part of the security deposit and to recover the filing fee from the tenant for the cost of the Application for Dispute Resolution, pursuant to Sections 38, 46, 55, 67, and 72 of the *Residential Tenancy Act (Act)*.

It must also be decided if the tenant is entitled to cancel a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent, pursuant to Section 46 of the *Act*.

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Background and Evidence

The landlord testified the tenancy began on May 1, 2012 as a month to month tenancy for the monthly rent of \$1,500.00 due on the 1st of each month and a security deposit of \$500.00 was paid; and

Both parties provided into evidence a copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent that was issued on July 31, 2012 with an effective vacancy date of August 9, 2012 due to \$6,000.00 in unpaid rent.

Documentary evidence filed by the landlord indicates the tenant failed to pay the full rent owed for the months of May, June, July, August and September and that the tenant was served the 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent personally on July 31, 2012.

The Notice states the tenant had five days to pay the rent or apply for Dispute Resolution or the tenancy would end. The tenant did not pay the rent in full but did apply to dispute the Notice to End Tenancy within five days.

<u>Analysis</u>

I have reviewed all evidence and testimony and accept that the tenant has been served with notice to end tenancy as declared by the landlord. The notice is deemed to have been received by the tenant on July 31, 2012 and the effective date of the notice was August 9, 2012. I accept the evidence before me that the tenant failed to pay the rent owed in full within the 5 days granted under Section 46(4) of the *Act*.

Despite the tenant's Application for Dispute Resolution to cancel the notice being received by the Residential Tenancy Branch within the required time frame, due to the long weekend in August 2012, I find the tenant's failure to attend this hearing constitutes an abuse of the dispute resolution process and in accordance with Section 62(4) I dismiss the tenant's Application in its entirety.

Based on the foregoing, I find the tenant is conclusively presumed under Section 46(5) of the *Act* to have accepted that the tenancy ended on the effective date of the Notice.

Conclusion

I find the landlord is entitled to an order of possession effective **two days after service on the tenant**. This order must be served on the tenant. If the tenant fails to comply

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with this order the landlord may file the order with the Supreme Court of British Columbia and be enforced as an order of that Court.

I find the landlord is entitled to monetary compensation pursuant to Section 67 in the amount of **\$7,600.00** comprised of \$7,500.00 rent owed and the \$100.00 fee paid by the landlord for this application.

I order the landlord may deduct the security deposit and interest held in the amount of \$500.00 in partial satisfaction of this claim. I grant a monetary order in the amount of **\$7,100.00**.

This order must be served on the tenant. If the tenant fails to comply with this order the landlord may file the order in the Provincial Court (Small Claims) and be 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: September 05, 2012.	
	Residential Tenancy Branch