



# 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 made application for an Order of Possession for Unpaid Rent, a monetary Order for unpaid rent 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.

### Issue(s) to be Decided

Is the landlord entitled to an Order of possession for unpaid rent?

Is the landlord entitled to a monetary Order?

Is the landlord entitled to filing fee costs?

### Background and Evidence

The current tenancy commenced on May 3, 2011; rent was \$1,035.00 per month and effective June 1, 2012, it increased to \$1,079.50. Rent is due on the first day of each month.

The tenant acknowledged receipt of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent, which had an effective date of July 30, 2012. The Notice was posted to the tenant's door on July 18, 2012, and it was received within 3 days.

The Notice indicated that the Notice would be automatically cancelled if the landlord received \$3,344.00 within five days after the tenant was assumed to have received the

Notice. The Notice also indicated that the tenant was presumed to have accepted that the tenancy was ending and that the tenant must move out of the rental by the date set out in the Notice unless the tenant filed an Application for Dispute Resolution within five days.

The tenant and landlord agreed that the following payments were made:

May	0
July 27	500.00
August 3	500.00
August 10	600.00
August 17	500.00
August 24	450.00
September 7	900.00
Total Paid	3450.00

The amount of rent owed from May to September, 2012 was \$5,353.00. The parties agreed that the current rent arrears are \$1,903.00.

The tenant confirmed that the full amount of rent owed was not paid in July, 2012 and that the Notice was not disputed.

### Analysis

Section 90 of the Act stipulates that a document that is posted on a door is deemed to be received on the third day after it is posted. I therefore find that the tenant received the Notice to End Tenancy on July 21, 2012.

Section 46(1) of the Act stipulates that a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy is effective ten days after the date that the tenant receives the Notice. As the tenant is deemed to have received this Notice on July 21, 2012, I find that the earliest effective date of the Notice is July 31, 2012.

Section 53 of the Act stipulates that if the effective date stated in a Notice is earlier than the earliest date permitted under the legislation, the effective date is deemed to be the earliest date that complies with the legislation. Therefore, I find that the effective date of this Notice to End Tenancy was July 31, 2012.

In the absence of evidence to the contrary, I find that the tenant was served with a Notice to End Tenancy that required the tenant to vacate the rental unit on July 31, 2012, pursuant to section 46 of the Act.

Section 46 of the Act stipulates that a tenant has five (5) days from the date of receiving the Notice to End Tenancy to either pay the outstanding rent or to file an Application for Dispute Resolution to dispute the Notice. The tenant has confirmed that the total

amount of rent owed was not paid within 5 days of July 21, 2012. The tenant did not dispute the Notice. Therefore, pursuant to section 46(5) of the Act, I find that the tenant accepted that the tenancy has ended. On this basis I will grant the landlord an Order of Possession that is effective two days after the order is served to the tenant.

In the absence of evidence to the contrary, I find that the tenant has not paid rent in the amount of \$1,903.00 for August and September, 2012 and that the landlord is entitled to compensation in that amount.

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.

### Conclusion

The landlord has been granted an Order of Possession that is effective 2days after service to the tenant. This Order may be served on the tenant, filed with the Supreme Court of British Columbia and enforced as an Order of that Court.

I find that the landlord has established a monetary claim, in the amount of \$1,953.00, which is comprised of unpaid August and September, 2012 rent and \$50.00 in compensation for the filing fee paid by the landlord for this Application for Dispute Resolution.

Based on these determinations I grant the landlord a monetary Order in the sum of \$1,953.00. In the event that the tenant does not comply with this Order, it may be served on the tenant, filed with the Province of British Columbia Small Claims Court and enforced as an Order of that Court.

This decision is final and binding on the parties, unless otherwise provided under the Act, and 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 14, 2012.

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