

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding Bristol Estates and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

### **DECISION**

Dispute Codes: OPR, MNR, MNSD, FF

#### <u>Introduction</u>

This hearing was scheduled in response to the landlord's application for an order of possession / a monetary order as compensation for unpaid rent / retention of the security damage deposit / and recovery of the filing fee. Both parties attended. Landlord's agents testified on behalf of the landlord. Landlord's agent was present with the tenant in order to assist the tenant who is deaf.

#### Issue(s) to be Decided

Whether the landlord is entitled to the above under the Act, Regulation or tenancy agreement.

#### Background and Evidence

Pursuant to a written tenancy agreement, the tenancy began on December 1, 2011. Monthly rent of \$1,100.00 is due and payable in advance on the first day of each month, and a security deposit of \$550.00 was collected.

Arising from rent of \$500.00 which remained unpaid when due on February 1, 2013, the landlord issued a 10 day notice to end tenancy for unpaid rent dated February 2, 2013. The notice was served by way of posting on the unit door on that same date. A copy of the notice was submitted in evidence. The date shown on the notice by when the tenant must vacate the unit is February 13, 2013. Subsequently, the tenant made a payment of \$1,000.00 on March 4, 2013, and she continues to reside in the unit.

#### Analysis

Based on the documentary evidence and testimony, I find that the tenant was served with a 10 day notice to end tenancy for unpaid rent dated February 2, 2013. The tenant did not pay the outstanding rent within 5 days of receiving the notice, and did not apply to dispute the notice. The tenant is therefore conclusively presumed under section

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46(5) of the Act to have accepted that the tenancy ended on the effective date of the notice. Accordingly, I find that the landlord has established entitlement to an **order of possession**.

As for the monetary order, I find that the landlord has established a claim of \$700.00:

\$500.00: unpaid rent for February

\$25.00: fee assessed for late payment of February's rent

\$100.00: unpaid rent for March

\$25.00: fee assessed for late payment of March's rent

\$50.00: *filing fee* 

I order that the landlord retain the **\$550.00** security deposit, and I grant the landlord a **monetary order** under section 67 for the balance owed of **\$150.00** (\$700.00 - \$550.00).

## Conclusion

I hereby issue an **order of possession** in favour of the landlord effective not later than **two (2) days** after service on the tenant. This order must be served on the tenant. Should the tenant fail to comply with the order, the order may be filed in the Supreme Court of British Columbia and enforced as an order of that Court.

Pursuant to section 67 of the Act, I hereby issue a **monetary order** in favour of the landlord in the amount of **\$150.00**. Should it be necessary, this order may be served on the tenant, filed in the 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: March 11, 2013

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