

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

<u>Dispute Codes</u> OPR, MNR, MNDC and FF

<u>Introduction</u>

This hearing was convened on an application by the landlord on February 20, 2013 seeking an Order of Possession pursuant to a 10-day Notice to End Tenancy for unpaid rent served in person on February 11, 2013. The landlord also sought a Monetary Order for the unpaid rent and recovery the filing fee for this proceeding.

Despite having been served with the Notice of Hearing in person on February 20, 2013, the tenant did not call in to the number provided to enable her participation in the telephone conference call hearing. Therefore, it proceeded in her absence.

Issue(s) to be Decided

This application requires a decision on whether the landlord is entitled to an Order of Possession and a monetary award as requested.

Background and Evidence

This tenancy began on July 1, 2012. Rent is \$1,000 per month and there is no security deposit.

During the hearing, the landlord gave evidence that the Notice to End Tenancy had been served after the tenant had failed to pay the \$1,000 rent that was due on February 1, 2013.

In the interim, the tenant remains in the rental unit, February 2013 rent remains unpaid and the tenant has not paid the rent due on March 1, 2013.

Therefore, the landlord requested an Order of Possession and a Monetary Order for the unpaid rent and recovery of the filing fee for his proceeding.

<u>Analysis</u>

Section 26 of the *Act* provides that tenants must pay rent when it is due whether or not the landlord is in compliance with the legislation or rental agreement.

Section 46 of the *Act* provides that a landlord may issue a Notice to End Tenancy for unpaid rent on a day after the rent is due. Tenants may cancel the notice by paying the overdue rent or make application to dispute the notice within five days of receiving it.

In this instance, I find that the tenant did not pay the rent within five days of receiving the notice and did not make application to dispute it.

Therefore, under section 46(5) & (6) of the *Act*, the tenant is conclusively presumed to have accepted that the tenancy ended on the effective date of the 10-day Notice to End Tenancy which was February 21, 2013.

Accordingly, I find that the landlord is entitled to an Order of Possession effective two days from service of it on the tenant.

I further find that the landlord is entitled to a Monetary Order for the unpaid rent and filing fee.

Thus, I find that the tenant owes to the landlord an amount calculated s follows:

Rent for February 2013	\$1,000.00
Rent/loss of rent for March 2013	1,000.00
Filing fee	<u>50.00</u>
TOTAL	\$2,050.00

Conclusion

The landlord's copy of this decision is accompanied by an Order of Possession, enforceable through the Supreme Court of British Columbia, to take effect two days from service of it on the tenant.

In addition to authorization to retain the security deposit in set off, the landlord's copy of this decision is accompanied by a Monetary Order for \$2,050.00, enforceable through the Provincial Court of British Columbia, for service on the tenant.

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 15, 2013

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