

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

## DECISION

Dispute Codes: OPR, MNR, FF

## Introduction

This hearing dealt with an application by the landlord pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* for orders as follows:

- 1. A monetary order pursuant to Section 67;
- 2. An Order of Possession pursuant to Section 55; and
- 3. An Order to recover the filing fee pursuant to Section 72.

I accept the landlord's evidence that the tenant was properly served with the Notice to End Tenancy by way of posting the Notice to the rental unit door on February 5, 2013.

I accept the landlord's evidence that the tenant was properly served with the Application for Dispute Resolution including the Notice of Hearing and the landlord's evidence by way of registered mail sent March 19, 2013.

The tenant did not appear. The landlord was given full opportunity to be heard, to present evidence and to make submissions.

On the basis of the solemnly sworn evidence presented at the hearing a decision has been reached.

# Issue(s) to be Decided

Whether the landlord has cause to end this tenancy and receive an Order of Possession and whether the landlord is entitled to monetary order for unpaid rent and recovery of the filing fee.

### **Background and Findings**

#### Order of Possession

The landlord submitted that the tenant has not vacated the rental unit. The application for the Order of Possession is therefore dismissed as it is not required.

#### Monetary Order *Rental Arrears*

Based on the undisputed evidence of the landlord I find that the landlord has met the burden of proving that there are rental arrears and entitled to recovery of those arrears. I will award the landlord a monetary order for rental arrears in the sum of \$550.00 as requested.

The landlord has also claimed \$15.00 for late rent fees and \$112.00 for carpet cleaning. As the tenant has agreed to these payments in the Move-Out inspection report provided in evidence, I will therefore allow these claims.

#### Security Deposit

Section 72 of the Residential Tenancy Act states as follows:

#### Director's orders: fees and monetary orders

72 (1) The director may order payment or repayment of a fee under section 59
(2) (c) [starting proceedings] or 79 (3) (b) [application for review of director's decision] by one party to a dispute resolution proceeding to another party or to the director.

(2) If the director orders a party to a dispute resolution proceeding to pay any amount to the other, including an amount under subsection (1), the amount may be deducted

(a) in the case of payment from a landlord to a tenant, from any rent due to the landlord, and

(b) in the case of payment from a tenant to a landlord, from any security deposit or pet damage deposit due to the tenant.

In accordance with Section 72(2)(b) I will allow the landlord to retain the security deposit paid by the tenant in partial satisfaction of this claim.

## Filing Fees

As the landlord has been successful in this application I find that the landlord is entitled to recover the filing fees paid for this application.

Rent	\$550.00
Late Payment Fees & Carpet Cleaning	127.00
Less Security Deposit (no interest accrued)	-275.00
Total Monetary Award	\$402.00

# Calculation of Monetary Award in Favour of the Landlord

## **Conclusion**

The landlord is provided with a formal copy of an order for the total monetary award as set out above. This is a final and binding Order enforceable as any Order of the Provincial Court of British Columbia.

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: April 11, 2013

Residential Tenancy Branch