

Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes: OPR, MNR, MNSD, 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 tenants were properly served with the Notice to End Tenancy by way of posting the Notice to the rental unit door on March 7, 2013 and again by way of personal service on the female tenant on March 8, 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 17, 2013.

The tenants 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 (unpaid rent) to end this tenancy and receive an Order of Possession; whether the landlord is entitled to monetary order for unpaid rent and for recovery of the filing; and whether the landlord should be allowed to retain the security deposit.

Background and Findings

Order of Possession

Based on the undisputed evidence of the landlord I find that the landlord is entitled to an Order for Possession. There is outstanding rent. The tenants have not made application pursuant to Section 46 to set aside the Notice to End a Residential Tenancy and the time to do so has expired. In these situations, the *Residential Tenancy Act* provides that the tenants have been deemed to have accepted the end of the tenancy on the date set out in the Notice.

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. I find the landlord is entitled to recovery of those arrears calculated as follows:

March 1 rent (and arrears from February)	\$1,700.00
Payment March 15 (accepted for use and	-1,100.00
occupancy only)	
April 1 rent	1,630.00
April 7 payment	-1,570.00
Balance remaining owing	\$660.00

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.

Security Deposit

I find further that the landlord is entitled to retain the security deposit and interest (if any) to the date of this decision in partial satisfaction of the rental arrears.

Calculation of total Monetary Award

Rental Arrears	<u>\$ 660.00</u>
Filing Fees for the cost of this application	50.00
Less Security Deposit	-525.00
Interest from the date the deposit was paid to	0.00
the date of this Order	
Total Monetary Award	<u>\$185.00</u>

Conclusion

The landlord is provided with a formal copy of an order of possession. This is a final and binding Order enforceable as any Order of the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

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 18, 2013

D. SIMPSON, Arbitrator Residential Tenancy Branch



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Now that you have your decision...

All decisions are binding and both landlord and tenant are required to comply.

The RTB website (<u>www.rto.gov.bc.ca</u>) has information about:

- How and when to enforce an order of possession: Fact Sheet RTB-103: Landlord: Enforcing an Order of Possession
- How and when to enforce a monetary order: Fact Sheet RTB-108: *Enforcing a Monetary Order*
- How and when to have a decision or order corrected: Fact Sheet RTB-111: Correction of a Decision or Order
- How and when to have a decision or order clarified: Fact Sheet RTB-141: *Clarification of a Decision or Order*
- How and when to apply for the review of a decision: Fact Sheet RTB-100: *Review Consideration of a Decision or Order* (Please Note: Legislated deadlines apply)

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- Lower Mainland: 604-660-1020
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