



Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes OPR, MNR, MNSD, MNDC, FF

Introduction

This hearing dealt with an Application for Dispute Resolution by the Landlord for an order of possession, a monetary order and an order to retain the security deposit in partial satisfaction of the claim.

Although served with the Application for Dispute Resolution and Notice of Hearing by personal service on September 19, 2013, the Tenant did not appear.

Both parties appeared and had an opportunity to be heard.

Issue(s) to be Decided

- Is the landlord entitled to an order of possession and, if so, upon what terms?
- Is the landlord entitled to a monetary order and, if so, in what amount?
- Is the landlord entitled to retain the security deposit?

Background and Evidence

This month-to-month tenancy commenced September 1, 2012. The monthly rent of \$950.00 was due on the first day of the month. The tenant paid a security deposit of \$475.00.

The landlord testified that the tenant was served with a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Non-Payment of Rent when it was posted to the door of the rental unit on September 4, 2013. That document includes information advising the tenant that the notice is cancelled if the tenant paid the arrears of rent within five days. It also advises that the tenant has five days to dispute the notice by filing an application for dispute resolution with the Residential Tenancy Branch. The landlord testified that the tenant did neither.

The landlord testified that the tenant appears to have moved out on October 4, 2013. She did not give the landlord any notice that she was moving and has not returned the keys to the landlord. She only paid \$300.00 towards the August rent and nothing for September or October.

Analysis

Based on the above, the testimony and evidence, and on a balance of probabilities, I find as follows:

The Tenant has not paid the outstanding rent and did not apply to dispute the Notice and is therefore conclusively presumed under section 46(5) of the *Residential Tenancy Act* to have accepted that the tenancy ended on the effective date of the Notice. Based on the above facts I find that the landlord is entitled to an order of possession effective two days after service on the Tenant.

I find that the landlord has established a total monetary claim of \$2125.00 comprised of arrears of rent for August and September in the amount of \$1600.00, arrears of rent and loss of rental income for October (one half month) in the amount of \$475.00, and the \$50.00 fee paid by the landlord for this application. I order that the Landlord retain the deposit of \$475.00 in partial satisfaction of the claim and I grant the Landlord an order under section 67 for the balance due of \$1650.00.

Conclusion

- a. An order of possession effective two days after service on the Tenant has been granted. If necessary, this order may be filed in the Supreme Court and enforced as an order of that Court.
- b. A monetary order in favour of the landlord in the amount of \$1650.00 has been granted. If necessary, it may be filed in the Provincial Court (Small Claims) 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: October 09, 2013

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