

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding Lombardy Management Ltd. and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy] **DECISION** 

<u>Dispute Codes</u> OPR MNR FF

# Introduction

This hearing dealt with an application by the landlord for an order of possession and a monetary order for unpaid rent.

The landlord participated in the teleconference hearing, but the tenant did not call into the hearing. The landlord submitted evidence that they served the tenant with the application for dispute resolution and notice of hearing by registered mail sent on May 1, 2014. Section 90 of the Act states that a document is deemed to have been served five days after mailing. I found that the tenant was deemed served with notice of the hearing on May 6, 2014, and I proceeded with the hearing in the absence of the tenant.

## Issue(s) to be Decided

Is the landlord entitled to an order of possession? Is the landlord entitled to a monetary order?

#### Background and Evidence

The tenancy began in October 2013. Rent in the amount of \$650 is payable in advance on the first day of each month. The tenant failed to pay rent for several months and on April 16, 2014 the landlord served the tenant with a notice to end tenancy for non-payment of rent. The tenant further failed to pay rent in the months of May and June 2014. The landlord seeks an order of possession and a monetary order for unpaid rent totalling \$5266.

The Landlord's evidence included the following:

- testimony regarding the residential tenancy agreement between the tenant and the landlord, in which the tenant is to pay a monthly rent of \$650 due on the first of each month;
- a copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent or Utilities, issued on April 16, 2014, with an effective vacancy date of April 26, 2014, for failure to pay rent in the amount of \$3876.80 that was due on April 1, 2014;

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 a copy of a Proof of Service of 10 Day Notice form, showing that the tenant was served the 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent by posting the notice on the rental unit door in the presence of a witness on April 16, 2014; and

testimony regarding the amount of outstanding rent.

# <u>Analysis</u>

I have reviewed all evidence and I accept that the tenant was served with the notice to end tenancy as declared by the landlord. The notice is deemed to have been received by the tenant on April 19, 2014.

I accept the evidence before me that the tenant has failed to pay the rent owed within the five days granted under section 46(4) of the Act. I find that the tenant is conclusively presumed under section 46(5) of the Act to have accepted that the tenancy ended on the effective date of the notice. The landlord is therefore entitled to an order of possession.

As for the monetary order, based on the above-noted evidence I find that the landlord has established a claim for \$5266 in unpaid rent. The landlord is also entitled to recovery of the \$100 filing fee.

## Conclusion

I grant the landlord an order of possession effective two days from service. The tenant must be served with the order of possession. 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.

I grant the landlord an order under section 67 for the balance due of \$5366. This order may be 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: June 17, 2014	
	Residential Tenancy Branch