

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes: OPR, MNR, MNDC, FF

Introduction

This hearing was scheduled in response to the landlord's application for an order of possession / a monetary order as compensation for unpaid rent / compensation for damage or loss under the Act, Regulation or tenancy agreement / and recovery of the filing fee. The landlord's agent attended and gave affirmed testimony.

The landlord's agent testified that the application for dispute resolution and notice of hearing (the "hearing package") were served by way of registered mail. Evidence submitted by the landlord includes the Canada Post tracking number for the registered mail, and the Canada Post website informs that the item was "successfully delivered." Despite this, the tenants did not appear at the hearing.

Issue(s) to be Decided

Whether the landlord is entitled to any of the above under the Act, Regulation or tenancy agreement.

Background and Evidence

There is no written tenancy agreement in evidence for this tenancy which began on May 01, 2012. Monthly rent of \$1,650.00 is due and payable in advance on the first day of each month, and a security deposit of \$750.00 was collected.

Arising from rent which remained unpaid when due on June 01, 2014, the landlord issued a 10 day notice to end tenancy for unpaid rent dated June 02, 2014. The notice was personally served on that same date. A copy of the notice was submitted in evidence. The date shown on the notice by when the tenants must vacate the unit is June 12, 2014. Subsequently, the tenants have made no further payment toward rent and they continue to reside in the unit.

<u>Analysis</u>

The full text of the Act, Regulation, Residential Tenancy Policy Guidelines, forms and more can be accessed via the website: www.rto.gov.bc.ca

Based on the documentary evidence and the affirmed / undisputed testimony of the landlord's agent, I find that the tenants were served with a 10 day notice to end tenancy for unpaid rent dated June 02, 2014. The tenants did not pay any portion of the outstanding within 5 days of receiving the notice, and did not apply to dispute the notice. The tenants

are therefore conclusively presumed under section 46(5) of the Act to have accepted that the tenancy ended on the effective date of the notice. Accordingly, I find that the landlord has established entitlement to an **order of possession**.

As to compensation, I find that the landlord has established a claim of \$5,850.00:

\$850.00: unpaid rent for May \$1,650.00: unpaid rent for June \$1,650.00: unpaid rent for July \$1,650.00: unpaid rent for August \$50.00: filing fee

Section 72 of the Act addresses Director's orders: fees and monetary orders, in part:

72(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

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

Following from all of the above, I order that the landlord retain the security deposit of **\$750.00**, and I grant the landlord a **monetary order** for the balance owed of **\$5,100.00** (\$5,850.00 - \$750.00).

Conclusion

I hereby issue an **order of possession** in favour of the landlord effective not later than **two** (2) days after service on the tenants. This order must be served on the tenants. Should the tenants 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.

Pursuant to section 67 of the Act, I hereby issue a **monetary order** in favour of the landlord in the amount of **\$5,100.00**. Should it be necessary, this order may be served on the tenants, 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: August 18, 2014

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