

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

# DECISION

Dispute Codes: OPR, MNR, MNSD, MNDC, FF

#### Introduction

This hearing dealt with an application by the landlord pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* for an order of possession pursuant to the notice to end tenancy for non-payment of rent. The landlord also applied for a monetary order for unpaid rent and the filing fee, and to retain the security deposit in partial satisfaction of the claim.

The notice of hearing was served on the tenant on February 18, 2016 by registered mail to the dispute address. The landlord provided tracking numbers. Despite having been served the notice of hearing, the tenant did not attend the hearing. The landlord attended and was given full opportunity to present evidence and make submissions.

During the hearing the landlord requested that his application to retain the deposit be dismissed with leave to reapply at the end of the tenancy. Since the tenant has not fully moved out, I dismiss this portion of the landlord's application with leave to reapply.

#### Issues to be decided

Is the landlord entitled to an order of possession and a monetary order for rent and the recovery of the filing fee?

#### **Background and Evidence**

The tenancy started on December 01, 2015. The current monthly rent is \$1,200.00 due in advance on the first of each month.

The landlord stated that the tenant failed to pay rent on February 01, 2016. On February 03, 2016, the landlord served the tenant with a notice to end tenancy for unpaid rent in the amount of \$1,200.00. The tenant did not dispute the notice and continued to occupy the rental unit without paying rent. The landlord stated that the tenant moved out on February 25, 2016 but as of the date of this hearing – March 10, 2016, the tenant has not removed all her belongings and has not returned the keys

The landlord has applied for an order of possession effective two days after service on the tenant and for a monetary order for unpaid rent for the months of February and March 2016 (\$2,400.00) plus the filing fee (\$100.00).

## <u>Analysis</u>

Based on the undisputed sworn testimony of the landlord, I accept the landlord's evidence in respect of the claim. The tenant received the notice to end tenancy for unpaid rent on February 03, 2016 and did not pay full rent within five days of receiving the notice to end tenancy nor did the tenant make 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 tenant has been deemed to have accepted the end of the tenancy on the date set out in the notice. Pursuant to section 55(2) I am issuing a formal order of possession effective two days after service on the tenant. The order may be filed in the Supreme Court for enforcement.

I further find that the landlord is entitled to rent in the amount of \$2,400.00. Since the landlord has proven his case, he is entitled to the recovery of the filing fee of \$100.00. I grant the landlord an order under section 67 of the *Residential Tenancy Act* for \$2,500.00. This order may be filed in the Small Claims Court and enforced as an order of that Court.

## **Conclusion**

I grant the landlord an order of possession effective **two days after service** on the tenant and a monetary order in the amount of **\$2,500.00**.

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: March 10, 2016

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