

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

## **DECISION**

Dispute Codes OPC, FF

### <u>Introduction</u>

The Application for Dispute Resolution filed by the landlord seeks the following:

- a. An Order for Possession for repeated late payment of rent
- b. An Order to recover the cost of the filing fee.

A hearing was conducted by conference call in the presence of a representative of the applicant and in the absence of the respondents although duly served. On the basis of the solemnly affirmed evidence presented at that hearing, a decision has been reached. All of the evidence was carefully considered.

I find that the one month Notice to End Tenancy was personally served on the Tenant on May 9, 2016. Further I find that the Application for Dispute Resolution/Notice of Hearing was served on each of the Tenants by mailing, by registered mail to where the Tenants reside on June 1, 2016. With respect to each of the applicant's claims I find as follows:

### Issue(s) to be Decided

The issues to be decided are as follows:

- a. Whether the landlord is entitled to an Order for Possession?
- b. Whether the landlord is entitled to recover the cost of the filing fee?

#### Background and Evidence

The parties entered into a written tenancy agreement that provided that the tenancy would start on November 1, 2001. The most recent amendment is dated September 15, 2015. The present rent is \$1017 per month payable in advance on the first day of each month. The tenants paid a security deposit of \$400 at the start of the tenancy.

The tenant(s) has paid the rent late for the months of March, April and May 2016. She also paid failed to pay the rent for the months of September and the sum of \$800 remains owing. The tenant(s) have remained in the rental unit.

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#### <u>Analysis - Order of Possession:</u>

I determined the landlord was entitled to an Order for Possession. The landlord served a one month Notice to End Tenancy on May 9, 2016. The Tenant(s) have not made an application to set aside the Notice to End Tenancy and the time to do so has expired. In such situations the Residential Tenancy Act provides the tenant is conclusively presumed to have accepted that the tenancy ends on the effective date of the notice, and must vacate the rental unit by that date. The tenants have paid the rent late on more than 3 occasions. Accordingly, I granted the landlord an Order for Possession effective on 2 days notice. The landlord has been successful with this application and is entitled to recover the cost of the filing fee from the tenants. I ordered that the Tenants pay to the Landlord the cost of the filing fee in the sum of \$100 such sum may be deducted from the security deposit.

The tenant must be served with this Order as soon as possible. Should the tenant fail to comply with this Order, the landlord may register the Order with the Supreme Court of British Columbia for enforcement.

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 30, 2016

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