

Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes OPR, MNR, FF

Introduction

The Application for Dispute Resolution filed by the landlord makes the following claims:

- a. An Order for Possession for non-payment of rent
- b. A monetary order in the sum of \$1340 for unpaid rent
- c. An order to recover the cost of the filing fee

A hearing was conducted by conference call in the presence of both parties. On the basis of the solemnly affirmed evidence presented at that hearing, a decision has been reached. All of the evidence was carefully considered.

Both parties were given a full opportunity to present evidence and make submissions. Neither party requested an adjournment or a Summons to Testify. Prior to concluding the hearing both parties acknowledged they had presented all of the relevant evidence that they wished to present. The parties acknowledged they had received the documents of the other party.

I find that the 10 day Notice to End Tenancy was served on the Tenant by posting on January 2, 2017. Further I find that the Application for Dispute Resolution/Notice of Hearing was served on the Tenant by mailing, by registered mail to where the tenant resides on January 27, 2017. 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 A Monetary Order and if so how much?
- c. 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 August 1, 2003. The present rent is \$850 per month payable on the first day of each month. The tenant paid a security deposit of \$320 and a pet damage deposit of \$100 prior to the start of the tenancy.

The tenant(s) failed to pay the rent for the months of January 2017 (\$315 is owed) and February 2017 (\$850 is owed) and the sum of \$1165 remains owing. The tenant(s) continues to reside in the rental unit.

The tenant testified he has had a number of mishaps of late including personal injuries and he was not able to work. He proposed a payment schedule. The landlord stated he was not interested in reinstating the tenancy and that he wanted an Order of Possession.

Analysis - Order of Possession:

I determined the landlord was entitled to an Order for Possession. There is outstanding rent. 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 Residential Tenancy Act no longer permits an arbitrator to grant an extension of time to pay the rent unless that landlord consented. The landlord did not consent. Accordingly, I granted the landlord an Order for Possession on 2 days notice.

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.

Analysis - Monetary Order and Cost of Filing fee:

I determined the tenant has failed to pay the rent for the month(s) of January 2017 (\$315 is owed) and February 2017 (\$850 is owed) and the sum of \$1165 remains owing. I determined the landlord has given sufficient notice of their intention to claim for all of last month as provided in the Application for Dispute Resolution. I granted the landlord a monetary order in the sum of \$1165 plus the sum of \$100 in respect of the filing fee for a total of \$1265.

Conclusion:

I granted an Order of Possession on 2 days notice. I ordered that the Tenant pay to the Landlord the sum of \$1265.

It is further Ordered that this sum be paid forthwith. The applicant is given a formal Order in the above terms and the respondent must be served with a copy of this Order as soon as possible.

Should the respondent fail to comply with this Order, the Order may be filed in the Small Claims division of the Provincial Court and enforced as an Order of that Court.

This decision in final and binding on both parties.

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: February 23, 2017

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