

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

## **DECISION**

Dispute Codes OPR, MNR, MNDC, FF

### <u>Introduction</u>

This hearing dealt with the landlord's application pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the "*Act*") for:

- an Order of Possession for unpaid rent pursuant to section 55;
- a Monetary Order for unpaid rent and damages pursuant to section 67; and
- authorization to recover the filing fees of the application from the tenant pursuant to section 72.

Both parties attended the hearing and were each given a full opportunity to be heard, to present affirmed testimony, to make submissions, and to call witnesses.

As the parties were both in attendance I confirmed that there were no issues with service of the landlord's application for dispute resolution and evidence. Based on the testimonies of the parties I find that the landlord served the tenant with the materials in accordance with sections 88 and 89 of the *Act*.

#### Analysis

Pursuant to section 63 of the *Act*, the Arbitrator may assist the parties to settle their dispute and if the parties settle their dispute during the dispute resolution proceedings, the settlement may be recorded in the form of a decision or an order. During the hearing the parties discussed the issues between them, turned their minds to compromise and achieved a resolution of their dispute.

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Both parties agreed to the following final and binding settlement of all issues currently under dispute at this time:

- 1. This tenancy will end on 1:00 pm March 16, 2017, by which time the tenant and any other occupants will have vacated the rental unit.
- 2. The tenant will pay the landlord \$2,275.00 in monthly instalments of \$200.00/month starting on April 1, 2017 until this amount is paid in full. The \$2,275.00 must be paid in full on or before March 1, 2018.
- 3. This settlement agreement constitutes a final and binding resolution of the landlord's application at this hearing.

Both parties testified at the hearing that they understood and agreed to the above terms, free of any duress or coercion. Both parties testified that they understood and agreed that the above terms are legal, final, binding and enforceable, which settle all aspects of this dispute.

### Conclusion

To give effect to the settlement reached between the parties and as advised to both parties during the hearing, I issue the attached Order of Possession to be served on the tenant by the landlord **only** if the tenant and any other occupants fail to vacate the rental premises by 1:00 p.m. on March 16, 2017. Should the tenant fail to comply with this Order, this Order may be filed and enforced as an Order of the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

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I issue a monetary Order in the landlord's favour in the amount of \$2,275.00, to be used **only** in the event that the tenant does not abide by the monetary terms of the settlement agreement outlined above. Should the tenant fail to comply with this Order, this Order may be filed in the Small Claims Division of the Provincial 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: March 2, 2017

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