

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

## **DECISION**

<u>Dispute Codes</u> OPR, MNR, FF

#### <u>Introduction</u>

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 unpaid rent
- c. An order to recover the cost of the filing fee

A hearing was conducted by conference call in the presence of two representatives 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 10 day Notice to End Tenancy was served on the Tenants by posting on February 16, 2017. Further I find that the Application for Dispute Resolution/Notice of Hearing was served on the Tenants by mailing, by registered mail to where the Tenants reside on March 15, 2017. I amended the Application for Dispute Resolution to include a claim for non payment of rent for March and April.

#### 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 July 1, 2011 and continue on a month to month basis. The present rent is \$680 per month payable on the first day of each month. The tenants did not pay a security deposit.

The tenant(s) failed to pay the rent for the months of January, February, March and April 2017. In addition the tenants owe \$775 as part of a repayment agreement for missed rents in 2016. In total the tenants owe \$3320 for non payment of rent to the end of April. The tenant(s) continue to reside in the rental unit.

## Analysis - Order of Possession:

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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. Accordingly, I granted the landlord an Order for Possession. At the request of the landlord I set the effective date of the Order of Possession for 7 days after service.

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, February, March and April and the sum of \$3320 remains outstanding (including \$775 owed under a repayment of rent agreement for 2016).. 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 \$3320 plus the sum of \$100 in respect of the filing fee for a total of \$3420.

#### Conclusion:

I granted an Order of Possession on 7 days notice. In addition I further ordered that the Tenant(s) pay to the Landlord(s) the sum of \$3420.

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: April 05, 2017

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