

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes OPL, FF

<u>Introduction</u>

This hearing was convened in response to an application by the Landlord pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the "Act") for Orders as follows:

- 1. An Order of Possession Section 55; and
- 2. An Order to recover the filing fee for this application Section 72.

I accept the Landlord's evidence that on October 11, 2017 the Tenant was served with the application for dispute resolution and notice of hearing by <u>registered mail</u> in accordance with Section 89 of the Act. The Tenant did not participate in the conference call hearing. Section 90 of the Act provides that a document served in accordance with section 89 of the Act is deemed to be received if given or served by mail, on the 5th day after it is mailed. Given the evidence of registered mail I find that the Tenant is deemed to have received the Materials on October 16, 2017.

Issue(s) to be Decided

Is the Landlord entitled to an order of possession?

Is the Landlord entitled to recovery of the filing fee?

Background and Evidence

The tenancy, under a written tenancy agreement, started on September 1, 2015. Rent of \$720.00 is payable on the first day of each month. At the outset of the tenancy the Landlord collected \$360.00 as a security deposit. On July 13, 2017 the Landlord served the Tenant with a two month notice to end tenancy for landlord's use (the "Notice"). The Notice carries an effective or move out date of October 1, 2017. The Tenant did not dispute the Notice and has not moved out of the unit.

<u>Analysis</u>

Section 49 of the Act provides that a tenant who receives a two month notice to end tenancy for

cause has 15 days to dispute the notice. Section 55(2) of the Act provides that where a notice

to end the tenancy has been given by the landlord, the tenant has not disputed the notice by

making an application for dispute resolution and the time for making that application has

expired, a landlord may request an order of possession. Given the undisputed evidence that

the Tenant received the Notice, did not dispute the Notice and has not moved out of the unit I

find that the Landlord is entitled to an order of possession. As the Landlord's application had

merit I find that the Landlord is entitled to recovery of the \$100.00 filing fee and I order the

Landlord to deduct this amount from the security deposit of \$360.00 plus zero interest in full

satisfaction of the claim.

Conclusion

I grant an Order of Possession to the Landlord. The Tenant must be served with this Order of

Possession. Should the Tenant fail to comply with the order, the order may be filed in the

Supreme Court of British Columbia and enforced as an order of that Court.

I order that the Landlord retain \$100.00 from the security deposit and interest of \$360.00 in full

satisfaction of the claim.

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: December 18, 2017

Residential Tenancy Branch