

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

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# Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

# **DECISION**

Dispute Codes

CNC, OPC, MNR, FF

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

The landlord and the tenant convened this hearing in response to applications.

The landlord's application is seeking orders as follows:

- 1. For an order of possession;
- 2. For a monetary order for unpaid rent;
- 3. To keep all or part of the security deposit; and
- 4. To recover the cost of filing the application.

The tenant's application is seeking orders as follows:

1. To cancel a One Month Notice to End Tenancy for Landlord's (the "Notice").

Only the landlord appeared.

## Issues to be Decided

Should the Notice be cancelled?
Is the landlord entitled to an order of possession?
Is the landlord entitled to a monetary order for unpaid?
Is the landlord entitled to retain the security deposit in partial satisfaction of the claim?

### Background, Evidence and Analysis

#### Tenant's application

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This matter was set for hearing by telephone conference call at 11:00 A.M on this date. The line remained open while the phone system was monitored for ten minutes and the only participant who called into the hearing during this time was the landlord. Therefore, as the tenant did not attend the hearing by 11:10 A.M, and the landlord appeared and was ready to proceed, I dismiss the tenant's application without leave to reapply.

Section 55(1) of the Act states:

Order of possession for the landlord

55 (1) If a tenant makes an application for dispute resolution to dispute a landlord's notice to end a tenancy, the director must grant to the landlord an order of possession of the rental unit if

(a) the landlord's notice to end tenancy complies with section 52 [form and content of notice to end tenancy], and

(b) the director, during the dispute resolution proceeding, dismisses the tenant's application or upholds the landlord's notice.

As I have dismissed the tenant's application, pursuant to section 55 of the Act I must grant the landlord an order of possession of the rental unit.

Therefore, I find that the landlord is entitled to an order of possession effective **two days** after service on the tenants. This order may be filed in the Supreme Court and enforced as an order of that Court. The **tenant is cautioned** that costs of such enforcement are recoverable from the tenant.

#### <u>Landlord's application</u>

Rent in the amount of \$770.00 was payable on the first of each month. A security deposit of \$375.00 was paid by the tenant.

The landlord testified that the tenant's has failed to pay rent for November 2017, December 2017 and January 2018. The landlord seeks to recover unpaid rent in the amount of the \$2,310.00.

I find that the landlord has established a total monetary claim of \$2,410.00 comprised of unpaid rent as stated above, and the \$100.00 fee paid by the landlord for this application.

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I order that the landlord retain the security deposit of \$375.00 in partial satisfaction of the claim and I grant the landlord an order pursuant to section 67 of the Act, for the balance due of **\$2,035.00**. This order may be filed in the Provincial Court (Small Claims) and enforced as an order of that court. The **tenant is cautioned** that costs of such enforcement are recoverable from the tenant.

### Conclusion

The tenant's application is dismissed.

The landlord is granted an order of possession, and may keep the security deposit and interest in partial satisfaction of the claim. I grant a monetary order for the balance due.

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: January 05, 2018

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