

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes OPRM – DR, FFL

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 \$6000 for unpaid rent
- c. An order to recover the cost of the filing fee

The tenant(s) failed to appear at the scheduled start of the hearing which was 10:30 a.m. on June 6, 2018. A representative of the landlord was present and ready to proceed. I left the teleconference hearing connection open and did not start the hearing until 10 minutes after the schedule start time in order to enable the tenant to call in. The tenants failed to appear. I confirmed that the correct call-in numbers and participant codes had been provided in the Notice of Hearing. I then proceeded with the hearing.

The representative of the landlord was given a full opportunity to present affirmed testimony, to make submissions and to call witnesses. 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 3, 3028. Further I find that the Application for Dispute Resolution and Notice of Dispute Resolution Hearing was sufficiently served on the Tenants on April 16, 2018 as the tenants have acknowledged to the landlord they received the documents. 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 tenancy began approximately one year ago. The tenancy agreement is not in writing. The rent was originally \$750 per month. It has recently been increased to \$775 per month. The representative of the landlord recently took conduct of this file as the previous representative has passed away and there is no indication on file that the tenants paid a security deposit.

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The landlord testified the tenants failed to pay the rent when due since June 2017. Presently the sum of \$6000 is outstanding as of March 31, 2018. The tenants continue to reside in the rental unit.

Analysis - Order of Possession:

I determined the landlord was entitled to an Order for Possession. The landlord used the approved government form. 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 on 2 days notice.

The tenants 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 tenants have failed to pay the rent since June 2017 and the sum of \$6000 remains outstanding to the end of March 2018. I granted the landlord a monetary order in the sum of \$6000 plus the sum of \$100 in respect of the filing fee for a total of \$6100.

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: June 06, 2018

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