

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

<u>Dispute Codes</u> OPRM-DR, OPR-DR, FFL

<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 for money owed or compensation for damage or loss under the *Act*, regulation or tenancy agreement pursuant to section 67; and
- authorization to recover his filing fee for this application from the tenants pursuant to section 72.

The tenant did not attend this hearing, although I waited until 9:41 a.m. in order to enable them to connect with this teleconference hearing scheduled for 9:30 a.m. The landlord attended the hearing and was given a full opportunity to be heard, to present sworn testimony, to make submissions and to call witnesses. The landlord originally applied through the Direct Request Process however, an adjudicator decided that a participatory hearing was required.

The landlord gave written evidence and sworn oral testimony that copies of the landlord's dispute resolution hearing package was sent to the tenant by registered mail on April 1, 2020. In accordance with sections 89 and 90 of the *Act*, I am satisfied that the tenant was deemed served with the landlord's dispute resolution hearing package on April 6, 2020, five days after mailing.

The landlord entered written evidence and sworn testimony that he posted the 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent (the 10 Day Notice) on the tenants' door on March 4, 2020. I am satisfied that the landlord served this Notice to the tenant in accordance with section 88 of the *Act*. In accordance with section 90 of the *Act*, the 10

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Day Notice was deemed served to the tenant on March 7, 2020, the third day after its posting.

Issues(s) to be Decided

Is the landlord entitled to an Order of Possession for unpaid rent?
Is the landlord entitled to a monetary award for unpaid rent?
Is the landlord entitled to recover the filing fee for this application from the tenant?

Background and Evidence

The landlord gave the following undisputed testimony. The tenancy began on or about June 1, 2018. Rent in the amount of \$3250.00 is payable in advance on the first day of each month. The tenant failed to pay rent in the month(s) of March and on March 4, 2020 the landlord served the tenant with a notice to end tenancy. The tenant further failed to pay rent in the month(s) of April and May. The landlord advised that the tenant has made late partial payments and that as of today, the amount of unpaid rent owing is \$2650.00.

<u>Analysis</u>

The tenant failed to pay their rent in full within five days of being deemed to have received the 10 Day Notices. The tenant has not made application pursuant to section 46(4) of the *Act* within five days of being deemed to have received the 10 Day Notice. In accordance with section 46(5) of the *Act*, the tenants' failure to take either of these actions within five days led to the end of their tenancy on the corrected effective date of the notice.

In this case, this required the tenants to vacate the premises by March 17, 2020. As that has not occurred, I find that the landlord is entitled to a 2-day Order of Possession. The landlord is granted an Order of Possession pursuant to Section 55(2)(b) of the Act, which must be served on the tenant(s). If the tenant does not vacate the rental unit within the 2 days required, the landlord may enforce this Order in the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

Based on the undisputed evidence provided by the landlord, I am satisfied that the tenant continues to owe the landlord \$2650.00 in unpaid rent. The landlord is also entitled to the recovery of the \$100.00 filing fee. I issue a monetary award in the landlord's favour in the amount of \$2750.00.

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Conclusion

The landlord is granted an order of possession and a monetary order for \$2750.00.

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: May 21, 2020

Residential Tenancy Branch