

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

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

<u>Introduction</u>

This hearing dealt with the landlord's Application for Dispute Resolution seeking an order of possession and a monetary order.

The hearing was conducted via teleconference and was attended by the landlord's agent and the female tenant.

Issue(s) to be Decided

The issues to be decided are whether the landlord is entitled to an order of possession for unpaid rent; to a monetary order for unpaid rent; for all or part of the security deposit and to recover the filing fee from the tenant for the cost of the Application for Dispute Resolution, pursuant to Sections 38, 46, 55, 67, and 72 of the *Residential Tenancy Act (Act)*.

Background and Evidence

The landlord submitted the following documentary evidence:

- A copy of a residential tenancy agreement which was signed by the parties on February 1, 2010 for a month to month tenancy beginning on February 1, 2010 for the monthly rent of \$850.00 due on the 1st of each month and a security deposit of \$450.00 was paid; and
- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent that was issued on May 6, 2013 with an effective vacancy date of May 16, 2013 due to \$1,700.00 in unpaid rent.

The parties agreed the tenants failed to pay the full rent owed for the months of April, May and June 2013 and that the tenants were served the 10 Day Notice to End

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Tenancy for Unpaid Rent personally on May 6, 2013 at 5:30 p.m. and that this service was witnessed by a third party.

The tenant submits that she had attempted to pay the former landlord's agent but that she refused to accept the payment. The parties agreed the new landlord's agent and the tenants tried to work out a payment scheduled but when the agent took the proposal to the landlords they did not accept the terms and sought to end the tenancy.

The Notice states the tenants had five days to pay the rent or apply for Dispute Resolution or the tenancy would end. The tenants did not pay the rent in full or apply to dispute the Notice to End Tenancy within five days. The tenants have not made any payment of rent and the current arrears are \$2,550.00.

<u>Analysis</u>

I have reviewed all documentary evidence and accept that the tenants have been served with notice to end tenancy as declared by the landlord. The notice is deemed to have been received by the tenants on May 6, 2013 and the effective date of the notice was May 16, 2013. I accept the evidence before me that the tenants failed to pay the rent owed in full within the 5 days granted under Section 46(4) of the *Act*.

Based on the foregoing, I find the tenants are conclusively presumed under Section 46(5) of the *Act* to have accepted that the tenancy ended on the effective date of the Notice.

Conclusion

I find the landlord is entitled to an order of possession effective **two days after service on the tenants**. This order must be served on the tenants. If the tenants fail to comply with this order the landlord may file the order with the Supreme Court of British Columbia and be enforced as an order of that Court.

I find the landlord is entitled to monetary compensation pursuant to Section 67 in the amount of **\$2,600.00** comprised of \$2,550.00 rent owed and the \$50.00 fee paid by the landlord for this application.

I order the landlord may deduct the security deposit and interest held in the amount of \$450.00 in partial satisfaction of this claim. I grant a monetary order in the amount of \$2,150.00.

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This order must be served on the tenants. If the tenants fail to comply with this order the landlord may file the order in the Provincial Court (Small Claims) and be enforced as an order of that Court.

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 10, 2013

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