



Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Ministry of Housing and Social Development

DECISION

Dispute Codes OPR, MNR, MNSD, FF

Introduction

This matter was conducted by way of Direct Request Proceeding, pursuant to section 55(4) of the Act, and dealt with an Application for Dispute Resolution by the landlord for an Order of Possession and a monetary order due to unpaid rent.

The landlord submitted a signed Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding which declares that on October 16, 2009 the landlord served the tenants with the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding via registered mail. Section 90 of the Residential Tenancy Act determines that a document is deemed to have been served on the fifth day after it was sent.

Based on the written submissions of the landlord, I find that the tenants have been served with the Dispute Resolution Direct Request Proceeding documents.

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; to keep all or part of the security deposit; and to recover the filing fee from the tenants 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 evidentiary material:

- A copy of the Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Proceeding for the tenants;
- A copy of a residential tenancy agreement which was signed by one of the tenants on November 02, 2007 for a fixed term tenancy which reverted to a month to month tenancy beginning December 01, 2007. The monthly rent of \$1800.00 is due on 1st of the month and a security deposit of \$900.00 was paid on November 15, 2007.
- A copy of a rental increase from June 01, 2009. The rent from this date increased to \$1,866.60.
- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent which was issued on October 09, 2009 with an effective vacancy date of October 20, 2009 due to \$322.00 in unpaid rent.

Documentary evidence filed by the landlord indicates that the tenants have failed to pay the rent owed for the month of October, 2009 and that the tenants were served a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent in person on October 10, 2009 at 5:30 p.m.

The Notice states that the tenants had five days to pay the rent or apply for Dispute Resolution or the tenancy would end. The tenants did not apply to dispute the Notice to End Tenancy within five days.

Analysis

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 October 10, 2009. I accept the evidence before me that the tenants have 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 that 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 that 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 and may be filed in the Supreme Court and enforced as an order of that Court.

I find that the landlord is entitled to monetary compensation pursuant to section 67 in the amount of **\$372.00** comprised of \$322.00 rent owed and the \$50.00 fee paid by the landlord for this application. I order that the landlord may retain the amount of **\$372.00** from the deposit and interest held of \$915.27 in 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: October 26, 2009.

Dispute Resolution Officer