

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch Ministry of Housing and Social Development

DECISION

Dispute Codes

OPR, MNR, FF

Introduction

This hearing proceeded by way of Direct Request Proceeding, pursuant to sections 55(4) and 74(2) of the *Residential Tenancy Act (Act)*, and dealt with an Application for Dispute Resolution by the Landlord for an Order of Possession and a monetary order.

The Landlord submitted a signed Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding which declares that on December 09, 2009 an agent for the Landlord personally served the Tenant with the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding at the rental unit. The Landlord received the Direct Request Proceeding package on December 09, 2009 and initiated service that day.

Based on the written submissions of the Landlord, I find the Tenant has been duly 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; and to recover the filing fee from the Tenant for the cost of the Application for Dispute Resolution, pursuant to sections 55, 67, and 72 of the *Act*.

Background and Evidence

I have reviewed the following evidence submitted by the Landlord:

- A copy of the Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Proceeding for the Tenant
- A copy of a residential tenancy agreement that was signed by the Tenant, which indicates that the tenancy began on October 01, 2008, and that the rent of \$1,167.00 per month is due in advance on the last day of each month

- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent which was signed by an agent for the Landlord on December 01, 2009 which states that the Tenant must vacate the rental unit by December 11, 2009 unless the Tenant pays the outstanding rent within five days of receiving the Notice or submits an Application for Dispute Resolution seeking to set aside the Notice within five days of receiving the Notice. The Notice declares that the Tenant owes rent, in the amount of \$1,192.00, that was due on November 30, 2009.
- A copy of a signed Proof of Service of the 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy, in which an agent for the Landlord declared that she personally served the Notice to the Tenant on December 01, 2009 at 1900 hours, in the presence of her spouse, who also signed the Proof of Service.

On the Application for Dispute Resolution, the Landlord indicates that the Tenant was personally served the 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent to the Tenant at on December 01, 2009.

Analysis

Based on the evidence provided by the Landlord and in the absence of evidence to the contrary, I find that the Tenant entered into a tenancy agreement that required him to pay monthly rent of \$1,167.00, in advance, on the last day of each month.

Based on the evidence provided by the Landlord and in the absence of evidence to the contrary, I find that the Tenant had not paid rent for December at the time the Landlord filed this Application for Dispute Resolution. I have no evidence to show that the Tenant paid the outstanding rent since filing the Application for Dispute Resolution and therefore I find that the Tenant owes rent in the amount of \$1,167.00.

Based on the evidence provided by the Landlord and in the absence of evidence to the contrary, I find that the Tenant was served with a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy on December 01, 2009, pursuant to section 46 of the *Act*.

I have no evidence to show that the Tenant filed an Application for Dispute Resolution seeking to set aside the Notice to End Tenancy. Pursuant to section 46(5) of the *Act*, I therefore find that the Tenant has accepted that the tenancy ended on December 11, 2009.

Conclusion

I find that the Landlord is entitled to an Order of Possession effective two days after service on the Tenant. This Order may be served on the Tenant, filed with the Supreme Court of British Columbia and enforced as an Order of that Court.

I find that the Landlord has established a monetary claim, in the amount of \$1,217.00, which is comprised on \$1,167.00 in unpaid rent and \$50.00 in compensation for the

filing fee paid by the Landlord for this Application for Dispute Resolution. In the event that the Tenant does not comply with this Order, it may be served on the Tenant, filed with the Province of British Columbia Small Claims Court and 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: December 23, 2009.

Dispute Resolution Officer