

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Ministry of Housing and Social Development

DECISION

Dispute Codes

OPR, MNR, FF

<u>Introduction</u>

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 the Landlord served the Tenant with the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding by registered mail, however it does not declare the date that the documents were mailed to the Tenant. As the Canada Post Receipt was submitted to the Residential Tenancy Branch on December 11, 2009, I think it is reasonable to conclude that the parcel was mailed on, or before December 11, 2009.

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 that was 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 between the Landlord and the Tenant, which is signed by the Tenant, that indicates that the tenancy began on August

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01, 2009 and that the Tenant is required to pay rent of \$857.00 in advance on the last day of each month

- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent that 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 as the Tenant has failed to pay rent in the amount of \$857.00 that was due on November 30, 2009. The Notice states that the tenancy will end unless the Tenant pays the rent or submits an Application for Dispute Resolution seeking to set aside the Notice within five days of receiving the Notice.
- A copy of the Proof of Service of the 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy that indicates that an agent for the landlord posted the Notice on the front door of the rental unit on December 01, 2009 at 1755 hours, in the presence of her spouse, who also signed the Proof of Service.

In the Application for Dispute Resolution the Landlord declared that the 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent was posted on the door of the rental unit on December 01, 2009 and that he did not pay rent for December of 2009.

Analysis

Based on the evidence provided by the Landlord and in the absence of evidence to the contrary, I find that a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy was posted on the door of the rental unit on December 01, 2009.

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 for December rent by the time the Landlord filed the Application for Dispute Resolution. I have no evidence to show that the Tenant paid the outstanding rent since the Landlord filed the Application for Dispute Resolution, and therefore I find that the Tenant owes rent in the amount of \$857.00.

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 ten days after the Tenant is deemed to have received the Notice. A Notice to End Tenancy that is posted is deemed to be received three days after it is posted, which in these circumstances is December 04, 2009.

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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 \$907.00, which is comprised on \$857.00 in unpaid rent and \$50.00 in compensation for the filing fee paid by the Landlord for this Application for Dispute Resolution. Based on these determinations I grant the Landlord a monetary Order for the amount of \$907.00. 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