



# 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 December 12, 2009 the landlord served one tenant with the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding in person.

Based on the written submissions of the landlord, I find that one tenant has been served with the Dispute Resolution Direct Request Proceeding documents. As a result, decisions regarding a monetary order can only be in the name of the served 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; to keep all or part of the security deposit; and to recover the filing fee from the served 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 evidentiary material:

- A copy of the Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Proceeding for the male tenant;
- A copy of a residential tenancy agreement which was signed by the parties on September 18, 2008 for a month to month tenancy beginning October 1, 2008 for the monthly rent of \$1,450.00 due on the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month and a security deposit of \$725.00 paid on October 1, 2008; and
- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent which was issued on December 2, 2009 with an effective vacancy date of December 13, 2009 due to \$1,450.00 in unpaid rent.

Documentary evidence filed by the landlord indicates that the tenants had failed to pay the rent owed for the month of December 2009 and that the tenants were served a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent when it was served personally on December 2, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. The landlord provided written confirmation that this service was witnessed by a third party.

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 December 2, 2009, and the effective date of the notice is December 13, 2009. 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 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 section 67 in the amount of **\$1,500.00** comprised of \$1,450.00 rent owed and the \$50.00 fee paid by the Landlord for this application. I order that the landlord may retain the deposit and interest held of \$727.73 in partial satisfaction of the claim and grant an order for the balance due of **\$772.27**. This order must be served on the served tenant and may be filed in the Provincial Court (Small Claims) 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 24, 2009.

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Dispute Resolution Officer