

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch Ministry of Housing and Social Development

DECISION

Dispute Codes - OPR, MNR, 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 February 11, 2010 the landlord served the tenant with the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding personally.

Based on the written submission of the landlord, I find that the tenant has 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; and to recover the filing fee from the tenant for the cost of the Application for Dispute Resolution, pursuant to sections 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 tenant;
- A copy of a residential tenancy agreement which was signed by the parties on November 1, 2008 for a month to month tenancy beginning on November 1, 2008 for the monthly rent of \$900.00 due on the last day of the month and a security deposit of \$450.00 was paid; and
- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent which was issued on February 2, 2010 with an effective vacancy date of February 15, 2010 due to \$925.00 unpaid rent.

Documentary evidence filed by the landlord indicates that the tenant failed to pay the full rent owed for the month of February, 2010 and that the tenant was served a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent when it was served by posting it to the tenant's

rental unit door on February 2, 2010 at 11:15 a.m. The landlord has provided written confirmation that this service was witnessed by a third party.

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

<u>Analysis</u>

I have reviewed all documentary evidence and accept that the tenant has been served with notice to end tenancy as declared by the landlord. The notice is deemed to have been received by the tenant on February 5, 2010 and the effective date of the notice is February 15, 2010. I accept the evidence before me that the tenant failed to pay the rent owed in full with in the 5 days granted under section 46 (4) of the *Act*.

Based on the foregoing, I find that the tenant is conclusively presumed under section 46(5) of the Act to have accepted that the tenancy ended on the effective date of the Notice.

The 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy states the tenant has failed to pay rent in the amount of \$925.00 but the tenancy agreement states that rent is \$900.00. The landlord has provided no explanation as to what the additional \$25.00, as such I am unable to determine an accurate amount of tenant liability.

Conclusion

I find that the landlord is entitled to an Order of Possession effective **two days after service on the tenant**. This order must be served on the tenant and may be filed in the Supreme Court and enforced as an order of that Court.

Based on my findings above, I dismiss the monetary portion of the landlord's application with leave to reapply.

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: February 19, 2010.

Dispute Resolution Officer