



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 February 15, 2010 the landlord served the tenant with the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding via registered mail. Section 90 of the Act states a document sent by mail is deemed served on the 5th day after it is mailed.

Based on the written submissions 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; for all or part of the security deposit and to recover the filing fee from the 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 tenant;
- A copy of a residential tenancy agreement which was signed by the parties on September 20, 2009 for a month to month tenancy beginning on October 1, 2009 for the monthly rent of \$2,000.00 due on the 1st day of the month and a security deposit of \$1,000.00 was paid; and
- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent which was issued on January 20, 2010 with an effective vacancy date of January 20, 2010 due to \$2,000.00 unpaid rent.

Documentary evidence filed by the landlord indicates that the tenant failed to pay the full rent owed for the months of January and 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 January 20, 2010 at 9:00 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.

Analysis

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 January 23, 2010 and the effective date of the notice is amended to February 3, 2010, pursuant to Section 53 of the *Act*.

I accept the evidence before me that the tenant failed to pay the rent owed in full within the 5 days granted under section 46 (4) of the *Act*. While the landlord's Application stated the tenant had not paid rent for February he did not include this amount in the monetary claim. The landlord is at liberty to apply for any additional losses in a separate application.

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.

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.

I find that the landlord is entitled to monetary compensation pursuant to Section 67 in the amount of **\$2,050.00** comprised of \$2,000.00 rent owed and the \$50.00 fee paid by the landlord for this application.

I order the landlord may deduct the security deposit and interest held in the amount of \$1,000.00 in partial satisfaction of this claim. I grant a monetary order in the amount of **\$1,050.00**. This order must be served on the 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: February 23, 2010.

Dispute Resolution Officer