

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Ministry of Housing and Social Development

DECISION

Dispute Codes

OPR, MNR

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 06, 2010 an agent for the Landlord served the Tenant with the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding by registered mail. The Landlord submitted a copy of a Canada Post Receipt, with a tracking number, which corroborates that the Landlord mailed a package to the rental unit. Section 90 of the *Act* determines that a document served by mail is deemed to have been served on the fifth day after it is mailed, which in these circumstances is December 11, 2010.

Based on the written submissions of the Landlord, I find 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 and to a monetary Order for unpaid rent, pursuant to sections 55 and 67 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 appears to be signed by the Tenant, that indicates that the tenancy began on March 01, 2008, at which time the Tenant was required to pay rent of \$875.00 by the first day of each month.

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 A copy of a Notice of Rent Increase that indicates the rent was increased to \$900.00, effective August 01, 2010.

- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent that was signed by an agent for the Landlord on November 08, 2010, which declares that the Tenant must vacate the rental unit by November 26, 2010 as the Tenant has failed to pay rent in the amount of \$3,875.00 that was due on November 01, 2010. The Notice declares 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 signed copy of a Proof of Service of the 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy in which an agent for the Landlord declared that he sent the Notice to the Tenant by registered mail on November 09, 2010. Documentation from Canada Post was submitted in evidence that corroborates this statement.
- A copy of a tenant ledger that indicates the Tenant owes rent of \$3,850.00 plus an NSF fee of \$25.00.

In the Application for Dispute Resolution the Landlord declared that the 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent was sent by registered mail on November 09, 2010 and that the Tenant owes rent of \$3,850.00 plus an NSF fee of \$25.00.

<u>Analysis</u>

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 originally required the Tenant to pay monthly rent of \$875.00 and currently requires the Tenant to pay monthly rent of \$900.00 on the first 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 of \$3,850.00 that was due on November 01, 2010 by the time the Landlord filed this Application for Dispute Resolution. I have no evidence to show that the Tenant paid the outstanding rent since the Application for Dispute Resolution was filed and therefore I find that the Tenant owes rent in the amount of \$3,850.00.

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 mailed to the rental unit on November 09, 2010. Section 90 of the *Act* stipulates that a document that is mailed is deemed to be received on the fifth day after it is posted. I therefore find that the Tenant received the Notice to End Tenancy on November 14, 2010.

I have no evidence to show that the Tenant filed an Application for Dispute Resolution seeking to set aside the Notice to End Tenancy or that he has paid the outstanding rent. Pursuant to section 46(5) of the *Act*, I therefore find that the Tenant has accepted that

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the tenancy ended on November 26, 2010. On this basis, I find that the Landlord is entitled to an Order of Possession.

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 \$3,850.00, for unpaid rent and I grant the Landlord a monetary Order for this amount. 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 13, 2010.	
	Dispute Resolution Officer