

Decision

Dispute Codes: OPR

Introduction

This matter proceeded 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 for unpaid rent.

The landlord submitted a signed Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding which declares that on November 4, 2011, the landlord served the tenant with the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding by way of Registered Mail.

Section 90 of the Act provides that a document served in this manner is deemed to have been received on the 5th day after service.

Based on the written submissions of the landlord, I find that the tenant has been duly served with the Direct Request Proceeding documents.

Issue to be decided

- Is the landlord entitled to an order of possession?

Background and Evidence

The landlord submitted the following evidentiary material:

- A copy of the Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding;
- A copy of a residential tenancy agreement which was signed by the parties on June 7, 2010, indicating that the tenant is obligated to pay \$550.00 in rent in advance on the first day of the month;
- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent which the landlord served on the tenant on October 11, 2011, for \$550.00 in unpaid rent due in the month of October 2011.
- A copy of the Proof of Service of the Notice to End Tenancy showing that the landlord served the Notice to End Tenancy on the tenant by way of posting on the tenant's door on October 11, 2011.

Section 90 of the Act provides that as the Notice to End Tenancy was served by way of posting on the tenant's door, the tenant is deemed to have received the notice 3 days later on October 14, 2011.

The Notice restates section 46(4) of the Act which provides that the tenant had 5 days to pay the rent in full or apply for Dispute Resolution. The tenant did not apply to dispute the Notice to End Tenancy within 5 days from the date of service and the landlord alleged that the tenant did not pay the rental arrears.

Analysis

I find that the tenant received the Notice to End Tenancy on October 14, 2011. I accept the landlord's undisputed evidence and I find that the tenant did not pay the rental arrears and did not apply to dispute the notice, and is therefore conclusively presumed to have accepted that the tenancy ended on the effective date of the notice. I grant the landlord an order of possession which must be served on the tenant. Should the tenant fail to comply with the order, it may be filed for enforcement in the Supreme Court.

Conclusion

I grant the landlord an order of possession effective not later than two (2) days after service on the tenant. This order must be served on the tenant. Should the tenant fail to comply with the order, the order may be filed in the Supreme Court of British Columbia 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*.

DATE: November 24, 2011

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