

Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes OPR, MNR

Introduction

This matter proceeded by way of Direct Request Proceeding, pursuant to section 55(4) of the Residential Tenancy Act (the "Act"), and dealt with an Application for Dispute Resolution by the landlord for an order of possession and a monetary order for unpaid rent.

The landlord submitted a signed Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding which declares that on January 4, 2012, the landlord served the tenant with the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding by way of personal service.

Section 90 of the Act determines that a document served in this manner is deemed to have been received on that day.

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

Issues to be Decided

Is the landlord entitled to an order of possession?

Is the landlord entitled to a monetary order for unpaid rent?

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 October 14, 2011, indicating that the tenant is obligated to pay \$625.00 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 December 6th, 2011 for \$625.00 in unpaid rent due in the month of December 2011; and
- 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 posting the notice on the tenant's door on December 6th. 2011.

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Section 90 of the Act provides that because the notice to end tenancy was served by posting it on the door, the tenant is deemed to have received the notice 3 days later on December 9th, 2011.

The Notice states that the tenant had five 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 five days from the date of service and the landlord stated in his application that the tenant paid \$300.00 on December 19th, 2011, and continues to owe the difference of \$325.00 in rental arrears.

<u>Analysis</u>

I find that the tenant received the notice to end tenancy on December 9th, 2011. 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 specified on the notice. I grant the landlord an order of possession which must be served on the tenant.

I accept the evidence before me that the tenant has failed to pay \$325.00 in rent for the month of December 2011. I find that the landlord is entitled to recover the rental arrears and I grant the landlord a monetary order for \$325.00.

Conclusion

I grant the landlord an order of possession. This Order may be filed in the Supreme Court of British Columbia and enforced as an Order of that Court.

Pursuant to Section 67 of the Act, I grant the landlord a monetary order for \$325.00. This order may be filed in the Small Claims Division of the Provincial 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: January 11, 2012	
	Residential Tenancy Branch