

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 based on unpaid rent and a monetary Order.

The landlord submitted a signed Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding which declares that on January 30, 2012, the landlord handed the tenant the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding.

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

Issue(s) to be Decided

Is the landlord entitled to an Order of Possession for unpaid rent pursuant to sections 46 and 55 of the *Act*?

Is the landlord entitled to monetary compensation for unpaid rent pursuant to section 67 of the *Act*?

Background and Evidence

The landlord submitted the following evidentiary material:

- A copy of the Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Proceeding served to the Tenant;
- A copy of a residential tenancy agreement which was signed by the then landlord and the tenant, indicating a monthly rent of \$460.00 due on the 1st day of the month; and
- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent (the 10 Day Notice) posted on the tenant's door on January 5, 2012 with a stated effective vacancy date of January 14, 2012, for \$346.61 in unpaid rent. In accordance with the *Act*, the effective vacancy date is corrected to January 18, 2012.
- A detailed Statement of Account from June 2009 until the end of January 2012, displaying the monthly rent amount due, the amount of payments made and the balance owing.

Witnessed documentary evidence filed by the landlord indicates that the tenant failed to pay all outstanding rent was served by posting the 10 Day Notice to the tenant's door at 4:59 p.m. on January 5, 2012. In accordance with section 88 and 90 of the *Act*, the tenant was served with this 10 Day Notice on January 8, 2012.

The Notice states that the tenant had five days from the date of service to pay the rent in full 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 from the date of service.

<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.

I accept the evidence before me that the tenant has failed to pay the rent identified as owing on the 10 Day Notice in full within 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 10 Day Notice.

Therefore, I find that the landlord is entitled to an Order of Possession and a monetary Order of \$346.61 for unpaid rent owing as of January 5, 2012, as I am satisfied that the landlord has demonstrated entitlement to an end to this tenancy and a monetary Order in that amount.

Conclusion

I find that the landlord is entitled to an Order of Possession to take effect within 2 days of the landlord's service of this notice to the tenant. Should the tenant fail to comply with this Order, this Order may be filed and enforced as an Order of the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

Pursuant to section 67 of the *Act*, I find that the landlord is entitled to a monetary Order in the amount of \$346.61 for rent owed as of January 5, 2012. The landlord is provided with these Orders in the above terms and the tenant must be served with a copy of these Orders as soon as possible. Should the tenant fail to comply with these Orders, these Orders may be filed in the Small Claims Division of the Provincial Court and enforced as Orders 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 10, 2012

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