

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes OPR MNR

Introduction

This hearing 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 Landlords for an Order of Possession for unpaid rent and a Monetary Order for unpaid rent.

The Landlords submitted a signed Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding which declares that on March 23, 2012 at 12:54 pm the Landlords served the female Tenant and on March 21, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. the Landlords served the male Tenant with the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding in person at the rental unit. Based on the written submissions of the Landlords, I find that each Tenant has been sufficiently served with the Dispute Resolution Direct Request Proceeding documents.

Issue(s) to be Decided

Are the Landlords entitled to an Order of Possession and a Monetary Order pursuant to section 55 of the *Residential Tenancy Act*?

Background and Evidence

I have carefully reviewed the following evidentiary material submitted by the Landlords:

- A copy of the Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Proceeding for each Tenant;
- A copy of a residential tenancy agreement which was signed by all parties for a fixed term tenancy that began on January 1, 2012 and is set to switch to a month to month tenancy after December 31, 2012, for the monthly rent of \$2,195.00 due on 1st of the month and a deposit of \$1,100.00 was paid; and
- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent which was issued on, March 5, 2012, with an effective vacancy date of March 15, 2012 due to \$2,195.00 in unpaid rent for March 2012.

Documentary evidence filed by the Landlords indicates that the Tenants were served the 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent on March 5, 2012, when it was left personally with the male Tenant. The Tenant signed the proof of service document acknowledging receipt of the 10 Day Notice.

<u>Analysis</u>

Order of Possession - I have reviewed all documentary evidence and accept that the Tenants have been served with notice to end tenancy as declared by the Landlords. The notice is deemed to have been received by the Tenants on March 5, 2012, and the effective date of the notice is March 15, 2012, pursuant to section 90 of the *Act*. I accept the evidence before me that the Tenants have failed to pay the rent owed in full and have not made application to dispute the Notice within the 5 days granted under section 46 (4) of the *Act*.

Based on the foregoing, I find that the Tenants are conclusively presumed under section 46(5) of the Act to have accepted that the tenancy ended on the effective date of the Notice and I hereby grant the Landlords an Order of Possession.

Monetary Order – The evidence supports that the Tenants have failed to pay the March 1, 2012, rent in violation of section 26 of the Act which provides that a tenant must pay rent when it is due under the tenancy agreement. As per the aforementioned I approve the Landlords' request for a Monetary Order of **\$2,195.00**.

Any deposits currently held in trust by the Landlords are to be administered in accordance with Section 38 of the *Residential Tenancy Act*.

Conclusion

I HEREBY FIND the Landlords are entitled to an Order of Possession effective **two days after service on the Tenants**. This Order is legally binding and must be served upon the Tenants.

A copy of the Landlords' decision will be accompanied by a Monetary Order for **\$2,195.00**. This Order is legally binding and must be served upon the Tenants.

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*.

Residential Tenancy Branch