

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes OPR, MNR

Introduction

This matter was conducted 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 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 March 29, 2012 the Landlord served the Tenant with the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding via registered mail. Section 90 of the Residential Tenancy Act deems a document delivered in that manner to have been received (or served) on the fifth day after it was sent.

Based on the evidence and written submissions of the Landlord, I find that the Tenant was served as required by s. 89 of the Act 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 46, 55 and 67 of the Residential Tenancy Act (Act).

Background and Evidence

The Landlord submitted the following documentary evidence:

- A copy of the Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Proceeding for the Tenant;
- A copy of a residential tenancy agreement which was signed by the parties on October 26, 2003 for a month-to-month tenancy commencing October 26, 2003 for the monthly rent of \$833.86 (after annual rent increases) due in advance on the 1st day of the month; and
- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent which was issued on March 7, 2012 with an effective vacancy date of March 17, 2012 due to \$833.86 in unpaid rent.

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The evidence filed by the Landlord indicates that the Tenant failed to pay the rent owed for the month of March 2012 and that the Tenant was served a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent or Utilities on March 7, 2012 when it was posted to the rental unit door. The Notice states that the Tenant had five days to pay the rent 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.

Analysis

I have reviewed all of the documentary evidence and accept that the Tenant been served with the Notice to End Tenancy as declared by the Landlord. Pursuant to s. 90 of the Act, the Notice was deemed to be received by the Tenant 3 days after it was posted or on March 10, 2012. Consequently, the effective date of the Notice is amended pursuant to s. 53 of the Act to March 20, 2012.

I accept the evidence before me that the Tenant has not paid the overdue rent 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 Notice.

Conclusion

I find pursuant to s. 55(2)(b) of the Act that the Landlord is entitled to an Order of Possession effective **two days after service on the Tenant** and a Monetary Order for unpaid rent in the amount of **\$833.86**. A copy of the Orders must be served on the Tenant; the Order of Possession may be enforced in the Supreme Court of British Columbia and the Monetary Order may be enforced in the Provincial (Small Claims) Court of British Columbia.

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: April 04, 2012.	
	Residential Tenancy Branch