



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 sections 55(4) and 74(2) of the *Residential Tenancy Act (Act)*, and dealt with an Application for Dispute Resolution by the Landlord for an Order of Possession and a monetary order.

The Landlord submitted a signed Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding which declares that on July 26, 2012 the Landlord served the Tenant with the initials "M.B." with the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding by registered mail. The Landlord submitted a copy of a Canada Post Receipt, with a tracking number, which corroborates that a package was mailed to this Tenant. Based on the written submissions of the Landlord, I find this Tenant has been served with the Dispute Resolution Direct Request Proceeding document. Section 90 of the Act stipulates that a document that is served by mail is deemed received on the fifth day after it is mailed which, in these circumstances, is July 31, 2012.

The Landlord submitted a signed Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding which declares that on July 26, 2012 the Landlord served the Tenant with the initials "C.K." with the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding by registered mail. The Landlord submitted a copy of a Canada Post Receipt, with a tracking number, which corroborates that a package was mailed to this Tenant. Based on the written submissions of the Landlord, I find this Tenant has been served with the Dispute Resolution Direct Request Proceeding document. Section 90 of the Act stipulates that a document that is served by mail is deemed received on the fifth day after it is mailed which, in these circumstances, is July 31, 2012.

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 55 and 67 of the *Act*.

Background and Evidence

I have reviewed the following evidence that was submitted by the Landlord:

- A copy of the Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Proceeding for each Tenant.
- A copy of a residential tenancy agreement which appears to be signed by both Tenants that indicates that the tenancy began on March 08, 2012 and that the rent of \$975.00 is due by the first day of each month.
- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent that was signed by an agent for the Landlord and is dated July 04, 2012, which declares that the Tenants must vacate the rental unit by July 14, 2012 as they have failed to pay rent in the amount of \$1,500.00 that was due on July 01, 2012. The Notice declares that the tenancy will end unless the Tenants pay the rent within five days of receiving the Notice or submit an Application for Dispute Resolution seeking to set aside the Notice within five days of receiving the Notice.
- A copy of a signed Proof of Service of the 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy, in which an agent for the Landlord declared that the Notice was personally served to the Tenant with the initials "C.K." on July 04, 2012. The Tenant has initialed the Notice to acknowledge service.

In the Application for Dispute Resolution the Landlord declared that the 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent was personally served to both Tenants on July 04, 2012.

In the Application for Dispute Resolution, the Landlord declared that the Tenants did not pay part of the rent for June and rent for July.

Analysis

Based on the evidence provided by the Landlord and in the absence of evidence to the contrary, I find that the Tenants entered into a tenancy agreement that required the Tenants to pay monthly rent of \$975.00 by the first day of each month.

Based on the evidence provided by the Landlord and in the absence of evidence to the contrary, I find that the Tenants had not paid rent in the amount of \$1,500.00 by the time the Landlord filed this Application for Dispute Resolution, which included some rent for June and all of the rent for July of 2012. I have no evidence to show that the Tenant paid the outstanding rent since the Application for Dispute Resolution was filed and therefore I find that the Tenants owe rent in the amount of \$1,500.00.

Based on the evidence provided by the Landlord and in the absence of evidence to the contrary, I find that a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy was personally served to the Tenant with the initials "C.K." on July 04, 2012. In the absence of a Proof of Service of the Notice to End tenancy, I find I have insufficient evidence to conclude that it was also served to the Tenant with the initials "M.B.".

I have no evidence to show that the Tenants filed an Application for Dispute Resolution seeking to set aside the Notice to End Tenancy. Pursuant to section 46(5) of the *Act*, I therefore find that the Tenants accepted that the tenancy ended on July 14, 2012, which is the effective date of the Notice.

Conclusion

I find that the Landlord is entitled to an Order of Possession effective two days after service on the Tenants. This Order may be served on the Tenants, filed with the Supreme Court of British Columbia and enforced as an Order of that Court.

I find that the Landlord has established a monetary claim, in the amount of \$1,500.00, for unpaid rent and I grant the Landlord a monetary Order in that amount. This Order may be served on the Tenants, filed with the Province of British Columbia Small Claims 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: August 01, 2012.

Residential Tenancy Branch