

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes OPR, MNR

Introduction

This hearing dealt with the landlord's Application for Dispute Resolution seeking an order of possession and a monetary order.

The hearing was conducted via teleconference and was attended by the landlord and his agent.

The landlord testified the tenant was served with the notice of hearing documents and this Application for Dispute Resolution, pursuant to Section 59(3) of the *Residential Tenancy Act (Act)* by registered mail on September 28, 2012 in accordance with Section 89.

The landlord also testified the registered mail was returned to the landlord and marked as refused. I find refusal of the service of documents is a deliberate act on the part of the tenant to avoid service.

Based on the testimony of the landlord and the tenant's refusal of service, I find that the tenant has been sufficiently served with the documents pursuant to the *Act*.

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, 67, and 72 of the *Act*.

Background and Evidence

The landlord submitted the following documentary evidence:

- A copy of a residential tenancy agreement which was signed by the parties on April 1, 2012 for a month to month tenancy beginning on April 1, 2012 for the monthly rent of \$1,500.00 and a security deposit of \$750.00 was paid; and
- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent that was issued on September 5, 2012 with an effective vacancy date of September 16, 2012 due to \$5,250.00 in unpaid rent.

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Testimony provided by the landlord's agent indicates the tenant failed to pay the full rent owed for the months of May, June, July, August, September and October 2012 in the amount of \$6750.00 and that the tenant was served the 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent personally on September 5, 2012 by the landlord's agent and this service was witnessed by the landlord. The landlord confirmed he witnessed this service.

The Notice states the tenant had five days to pay the rent or apply for Dispute Resolution or the tenancy would end. The tenant did not pay the rent in full or apply to dispute the Notice to End Tenancy within five days.

<u>Analysis</u>

I have reviewed all documentary evidence and testimony and accept that the tenant has been served with notice to end tenancy as declared by the landlord. The notice is deemed to have been received by the tenant on September 5, 2012 and the effective date of the notice was September 16, 2012. I accept the evidence before me that the tenant failed to pay the rent owed in full within the 5 days granted under Section 46(4) of the *Act*.

Based on the foregoing, I find 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 the landlord is entitled to an order of possession effective **two days after service on the tenant**. This order must be served on the tenant. If the tenant fails to comply with this order the landlord may file the order with the Supreme Court of British Columbia and be enforced as an order of that Court.

I find the landlord is entitled to monetary compensation pursuant to Section 67 and I grant a monetary order in the amount of **\$6,750.00** comprised of rent owed.

This order must be served on the tenant. If the tenant fails to comply with this order the landlord may file the order in the Provincial Court (Small Claims) and be 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: October 31, 2012.	
	Residential Tenancy Branch