

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 January 09, 2013 the Landlord served the Tenant with the initials "E.H." 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 at the rental unit.

The Landlord submitted a signed Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding which declares that on January 09, 2013 the Landlord served the Tenant with the initials "A.L." 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 at the rental unit.

Based on the written submissions of the Landlord, I find that both Tenants have been served with the Dispute Resolution Direct Request Proceeding document. Section 90 of the *Ac*t 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 January 14, 2013.

Issue(s) to be Decided

Is 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 01, 2010 and that the rent of \$900.00 is due by the first day of each month.

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 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 December 05, 2012, which declares that the Tenants must vacate the rental unit by December 18, 2012 as they have failed to pay rent in the amount of \$900.00 that was due on December 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 am agent for the Landlord declared that he posted the Notice on the door of the rental unit on December 05, 2012 at 3:00 p.m., in the presence of a coworker, who also signed the Proof of Service.

In the Application for Dispute Resolution the Landlord declared that the 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent was posted on the Tenants' door on December 05, 2012.

In the Application for Dispute Resolution, the Landlord is claiming compensation for unpaid rent for December, in the amount of \$900.00.

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 \$900.00 by the first day of each month and that the Tenants had not paid rent for December of 2012 by the time the Landlord filed this Application for Dispute Resolution. I have no evidence to show that the Tenants 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 \$900.00.

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 posted at the rental unit on December 05, 2012.

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 December 18, 2012, as declared by the Notice that was posted.

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.

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I find that the Landlord has established a monetary claim, in the amount of \$900.00, 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: January 15, 2013

Residential Tenancy Branch