



# Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch  
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

## DECISION

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### Introduction

This matter was conducted by way of Direct Request Proceeding, pursuant to Section 55(4) 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 due to unpaid rent. A participatory hearing was not convened.

The landlord submitted a signed Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding which declares that on May 9, 2013 the landlord served both tenants with the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding via registered mail. However the registered mail receipt indicates that only one registered package was sent and that it was addressed only to the male tenant. Section 90 of the *Act* states a document sent by mail is deemed served on the 5<sup>th</sup> day after it is mailed.

Based on the written submissions of the landlord, I find that the only the male tenant has been sufficiently served with the Dispute Resolution Direct Request Proceeding documents pursuant to the *Act*. As such, I amend the landlord's Application to name only the male tenant as the respondent.

### 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 September 10, 2012 for a 1 year fixed term tenancy beginning on October 1, 2013 for the monthly rent of \$1,000.00 due on the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month and a security deposit of \$500.00 and a pet damage deposit of \$500.00 paid; and

- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent that was issued on May 3, 2013 with an effective vacancy date of May 13, 2013 due to \$1,540.00 in unpaid rent.

Documentary evidence filed by the landlord indicates the tenant failed to pay the full rent owed for the months of April and May 2013 and that the tenant was served the 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent personally on May 3, 2013 at 4:00 p.m. and that this service was witnessed by a third party. 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.

### Analysis

I have reviewed all documentary evidence 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 May 3, 2013 and the effective date of the notice was May 13, 2013. 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 **\$1,540.00** 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: May 15, 2013

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