

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

<u>Dispute Codes</u> OPR & MNR

<u>Introduction</u>

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 due to unpaid rent.

The landlord submitted a signed Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding which declares that on August 26, 2013 the landlord served the tenants with the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding by registered mail. Section 90 of the Residential Tenancy Act determines that a document is deemed to have been served on the fifth day after it was sent.

Based on the written submissions of the landlord, I find that the tenants have been served with the Dispute Resolution Direct Request Proceeding documents.

Background and Evidence

The landlord submitted the following evidentiary material:

- A copy of the Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding for the tenants;
- A copy of a residential tenancy agreement which was signed by the parties on October 16, 2012 for a tenancy beginning October 01, 2012 for the monthly rent of \$1,800.00 due on the 1st of the month; and

- A copy of the addendum to the agreement signed by the parties which states rent for October, 2012, January, April and July, 2013 will be \$1,950.00 with the extra \$150.00 for these months for water bills; and
- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent which was issued on, an unknown date with an effective vacancy date of August 23, 2013 due to \$1,950.00 in unpaid rent and \$51.74 in unpaid utilities.

Documentary evidence filed by the landlord indicates that the tenants had failed to pay the full rent owed for the month of July of \$1,950.00 and that the tenants were served a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent which was posted on the door of the tenants rental unit on August 14, 2013 and therefore is deemed served three days later.

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

<u>Analysis</u>

I have reviewed all documentary evidence and accept that the tenants have been served with notice to end tenancy as declared by the landlord. The notice is deemed to have been received by the tenants on August 17, 2013 and the effective date of the notice is therefore amended to August 23, 2013 pursuant to section 53 of the *Act*. I accept the evidence before me that the tenants have failed to pay the rent and utilities owed in full within the 5 days granted under section 46 (4) of the *Act*.

The landlord has only applied to recover unpaid rent of \$1,800.00 and therefore a Monetary Order has been issued for this amount.

Based on the foregoing, I find that the tenants are conclusively presumed under section 46(5) of the Act to have accepted that the tenancy ended on the effective date of the Notice.

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Conclusion

I find that the landlord is entitled to an Order of Possession, pursuant to section 55 of

the Act, effective two days after service on the tenants. This order must be served on

the tenants and may be filed in the Supreme Court and enforced as an order of that

Court.

I find that the landlord is entitled to monetary compensation, pursuant to section 67 of

the Act, in the amount of \$1,800.00 for rent owed as claimed. This order must be served

on the tenants and may be filed in the Provincial Court (Small Claims) 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: September 06, 2013

Residential Tenancy Branch