

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding Pacifica Housing Advisory Association and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

### **DECISION**

Dispute Codes

OPR, MNR

#### Introduction

This matter was conducted by way of Direct Request Proceeding, pursuant to section 55(4) of the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the "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 August 29, 2013 the landlord served the tenant with the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding via registered mail sent to the tenant's rental unit address. The landlord provided a Canada Post receipt and tracking number as evidence of service. Section 90 of the Act determines that a document is deemed to have been served on the 5<sup>th</sup> day after mailing.

Based on the written submissions of the landlord, I find that the tenant has been served with the Direct Request Proceeding documents.

#### Issue(s) to be Decided

Is the landlord entitled to an Order of possession?

Is the landlord entitled to monetary compensation for unpaid rent?

#### Background and Evidence

The landlord submitted the following evidentiary material:

- A copy of the Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Proceeding for the tenant;
- A copy of a residential tenancy agreement which was signed by the parties on December 15, 2010, indicating a monthly economic rent of \$823.00 due on or before the first day of each calendar month; and

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 A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent which was issued on August 2, 2013 with a stated effective vacancy date of August 15, 2013, for \$554.00 in unpaid rent.

Documentary evidence filed by the landlord indicates that the tenant has failed to pay rent owed and was served the 10 day notice to end tenancy for unpaid rent by personal delivery on August 2, 2013 at 1:40 p.m. The Proof of Service document submitted as evidence was signed by the landlord, S.K, who served the tenant with the Notice. The Proof of Service document was also signed by the tenant, acknowledging service.

The Notice states that the tenant had five days to pay the rent or apply for Dispute Resolution or the tenancy would end.

The landlord has claimed \$554.00 in unpaid August 2013 rent.

#### 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 and acknowledged by the tenant, who signed the Proof of Service document.

The Notice is deemed to have been received by the tenant on the day of personal delivery; August 2, 2013.

I accept the evidence before me that the tenant has failed to pay the August 2013 rent owed in full within the 5 days granted under section 46 (4) of the *Act*. There was no evidence before me that the tenant disputed the Notice.

Based on the foregoing, I find that 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; August 15, 2013.

Therefore, I find that the landlord is entitled to an Order of possession and a monetary Order in the sum of \$554.00 for unpaid August, 2013, rent.

I find, pursuant to section 55 of the Act, that the landlord is entitled to an Order of Possession effective **two days after service** on the tenant and the Order 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 section 67 in the amount of \$554.00 for August 2013 rent owed and I grant an Order in that amount. This Order must be served on the tenant and may be filed in the Provincial Court (Small Claims) and enforced as an Order of that Court.

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## Conclusion

The landlord is entitled to an Order of possession and a monetary Order.

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 12, 2013

Residential Tenancy Branch