

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding Re/Max Kelowna Property Management and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

DECISION

Dispute Codes OPR, MNR

<u>Introduction</u>

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 August 30, 2013 the landlord served the tenant with the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding personally.

Based on the written submissions of the landlord, I find that the tenant has been sufficiently served with the Dispute Resolution Direct Request Proceeding 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 March 18, 2012 for a month to month tenancy beginning on April 1, 2013 for the monthly rent of \$2,100.00 due on the 1st of each month and a security deposit of \$1,050.00 was paid; and
- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent that was issued on August 20, 2013 with no effective vacancy date due to \$2,100.00 in unpaid rent.

Documentary evidence filed by the landlord indicates the tenant failed to pay the full rent owed for the month of August 2013 and that the tenant was served the 10 Day

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Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent personally on August 20, 2013 at 1:30 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 August 20, 2013.

Section 52 of the *Act* stipulates that for a notice to end tenancy is issued by the landlord to be effective the notice must be in writing; be signed and dated by the landlord; give the address of the rental unit; state the effective date of the notice; state the grounds for ending the tenancy and by in the approved form.

As the 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy submitted into evidence does not have an effective date I find the Notice to be non-compliant with Section 52 and therefore it is ineffective and not enforceable. I dismiss the portion of the landlord's Application seeking an order of possession.

I accept the landlord's submission that the tenant has failed to pay rent for the month of August, in the amount of \$2,100.00.

Conclusion

I find the landlord is entitled to monetary compensation pursuant to Section 67 and I grant a monetary order in the amount of **\$2,100.00** 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 02, 2013

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