

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes: OPR, MNR

<u>Introduction</u>

The landlord applied for an Order of Possession and a Monetary Order for unpaid rent under the Direct Request Procedure, pursuant to section 55(4) of the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the "Act").

The landlord submitted a signed Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding for each tenant to declare that on December 10, 2013 he served one tenant (referred to by initials CS) and on December 11, 2013 he served the other tenant (referred to by initials WC) with the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding via personal delivery at the rental unit.

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

Issue(s) to be Decided

Is the landlord entitled to an Order of Possession and monetary compensation for unpaid rent?

Background and Evidence

The landlord submitted the following evidentiary material:

- A copy of a residential tenancy agreement which was signed by the parties on May 25, 2013 and June 29, 2013, indicating a tenancy set to commence July 1, 2013 for a monthly rent of \$2,600.00 due on the 1st day of every month for a fixed term expiring June 30, 2015;
- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent which was issued on December 2, 2013 with a stated effective vacancy date of December 12, 2013, for \$2,600.00 in unpaid rent as of December 1, 2013; and,
- A copy of a Proof of Service of the 10 Day Notice indicating the landlord personally served the tenant referred to by initials CS with the 10 Day Notice on December 2, 2013 in the presence of a witness.

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The 10 Day 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 from the date of service.

In the details of dispute the landlord states that the tenants failed to pay rent for December 2013 and that the landlord will not accept only one-half of the rent that is payable based upon occupancy of the house.

Analysis

I have reviewed all documentary evidence and accept that the tenants have been served with a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy in a manner that complies with the Act, as declared by the landlord.

I accept the evidence before me that the tenants failed to pay the rent owed in full or dispute the Notice within 5 days of receiving the Notice as permitted under section 46(4) of the Act. Accordingly, 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. Therefore, I find that the tenancy ended December 12, 2013 and the landlord is entitled to an Order of Possession effective two (2) days after service upon the tenants.

I find the landlord is entitled to monetary compensation for unpaid rent in the amount of \$2,600.00 for the month of December 2013. The landlord is provided a Monetary Order for this amount to serve upon the tenants. The Monetary Order may be filed in Provincial Court (Small Claims) to enforce as an Order of that court. The security deposit remains in trust to be administered in accordance with the Act.

Conclusion

The tenancy has ended and the landlord is provided an Order of Possession effective two (2) days after service upon the tenants. The landlord is provided a Monetary Order in the amount of \$2,600.00 to serve upon the tenants.

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 03, 2014

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