Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes

OPR, MNR

Introduction

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 which declares that on January 27, 2014 the landlord sent the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding to the tenant via registered mail at the rental unit. Section 90 of the Act deems a person to have received a document five days after mailing.

Based on the written submissions of the landlord, I find that the tenant is deemed to 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 21, 2013, indicating a monthly rent of \$775.00 due on the 1st day of every month;
- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent which was issued on January 13, 2014 with a stated effective vacancy date of January 23, 2014 for \$775.00 in unpaid rent as of January 1, 2014; and,
- A copy of a Proof of Service of the 10 Day Notice indicating the landlord posted the 10 Day Notice on the tenant's door on January 13, 2014 in the presence of a witness.

The 10 Day Notice states that the tenant had five days to pay the rent or apply for Dispute Resolution or the tenancy would end. The tenant 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 tenant failed to pay rent for the month of January 2014.

<u>Analysis</u>

I have reviewed all documentary evidence and accept that the tenant was served with a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy as declared by the landlord. Since it was posted on the door of the rental unit it is deemed to have been received by the tenant three days later. Accordingly, the effective date automatically changes to read January 26, 2014 pursuant to sections 46 and 53 of the Act.

I accept the evidence before me that the tenant 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 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. Therefore, I find that the tenancy ended January 26, 2014 and the landlord is entitled to an Order of Possession effective two (2) days after service upon the tenant.

Based upon the evidence before me, I am satisfied the landlord is entitled to monetary compensation for unpaid rent in the amount of \$775.00 for the month of January 2014. The landlord is provided a Monetary Order for this amount to serve upon the tenant. 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 tenant. The landlord is provided a Monetary Order in the amount of \$775.00 to serve upon the tenant.

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: February 06, 2014

Residential Tenancy Branch