

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes OPR, MND, MNR, MNSD, FF

Introduction

This hearing dealt with the landlord's Application for Dispute Resolution seeking an order of possession and a monetary order.

The hearing was conducted via teleconference and was attended by the landlord.

The landlord testified the tenant was served with the notice of hearing documents and this Application for Dispute Resolution, pursuant to Section 59(3) of the *Residential Tenancy Act (Act)* by registered mail on March 19, 2014 in accordance with Section 89. As per Section 90, the documents are deemed received by the tenant on the 5th day after it was mailed.

Based on the testimony of the landlord, I find that the tenant has been sufficiently served with the documents pursuant to the *Act*.

The landlord withdrew his claim for damage to the rental property at this time. I note the landlord remains at liberty to file a separate Application for Dispute Resolution seeking compensation for any damage to the property at a future date.

Issue(s) to be Decided

The issues to be decided are whether the landlord is entitled to an order of possession for unpaid rent; to a monetary order for unpaid rent; and to recover the filing fee from the tenant for the cost of the Application for Dispute Resolution, pursuant to Sections 46, 55, 67, and 72 of the Residential Tenancy Act (Act).

Background and Evidence

The landlord submitted the following documentary evidence:

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 A copy of a residential tenancy agreement which was signed by the parties on August 21, 2013 for a 1 year fixed term tenancy beginning on September 15, 2012 and converting to a month to month tenancy on September 15, 2013 for the monthly rent of \$1,500.00 due on the last day of each month; and

 A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent that was issued on March 10, 2014 with an effective vacancy date of March 10, 2014 due to \$1,500.00 in unpaid rent.

Documentary evidence filed by the landlord indicates the tenant failed to pay the full rent owed for the month of March 2014 and that the tenant was served the 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent personally on March 10, 2014 at 7:25 p.m. and that the tenant signed acknowledging receipt.

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 testimony and accept that the tenant has been served with notice to end tenancy as declared by the landlord. The notice was received by the tenant on March 10, 2014 and the effective date of the notice is amended to March 20, 2014, pursuant to Section 53 of the *Act*. I accept the evidence before me that the tenant failed to pay the rent owed in full within the 5 days granted under Section 46(4) of the *Act*.

Based on the foregoing, I find 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.

Conclusion

I find the landlord is entitled to an order of possession effective **two days after service on the tenant**. This order must be served on the tenant. If the tenant fails to comply with this order the landlord may file the order with the Supreme Court of British Columbia and be enforced as an order of that Court.

I find the landlord is entitled to monetary compensation pursuant to Section 67 and grant a monetary in the amount of **\$1,550.00** comprised of \$1,500.00 rent owed and the \$50.00 fee paid by the landlord for this application.

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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: March 31, 2014

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