

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding Randall North Real Estate Services Inc. and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

## **DECISION**

<u>Dispute Codes</u> OPR, MNR

### Introduction

This matter proceeded by way of an *ex parte* 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 based on unpaid rent and a monetary Order.

The landlord submitted signed Proofs of Service of the Notices of Direct Request Proceedings which declares that on March 25, 2014, the landlord sent both tenants the Notices of Direct Request Proceedings by registered mail. The landlord provided a copy of the Canada Post Tracking Number to confirm these mailings. Based on the written submissions of the landlord and in accordance with sections 89 and 90 of the *Act*, I find that the tenants have been deemed served with the Direct Request Proceeding documents on March 31, 2014, the fifth business day after their registered mailing.

## Issue(s) to be Decided

Is the landlord entitled to an Order of Possession for unpaid rent pursuant to sections 46 and 55 of the *Act*?

Is the landlord entitled to monetary compensation for unpaid rent pursuant to section 67 of the *Act*?

## Background and Evidence

The landlord submitted the following evidentiary material:

- A copy of the Proofs of Service of the Notices of Direct Request Proceedings served to the tenants;
- A copy of a residential tenancy agreement which was signed by the previous landlord and both tenants, indicating a monthly rent of \$1,250.00 due on the 1st day of the month commencing on April 1, 2013; and

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 A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent (the 10 Day Notice) sent by registered mail to the tenants on March 5, 2014, with a stated effective vacancy date of March 25, 2014, for \$1,250.00 in unpaid rent.

Documentary evidence filed by the landlord indicates that the tenants failed to pay all outstanding rent was served by sending the 10 Day Notice by registered mail on March 5, 2014. The landlord provided a copy of the Canada Post Tracking Number to confirm this registered mailing. In accordance with sections 88 and 90 of the *Act*, the tenants were deemed served with this 10 Day Notice on March 10, 2014, five days after its registered mailing.

The Notice states that the tenants had five days from the date of service to pay the rent in full 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.

#### Analysis

I have reviewed all documentary evidence and accept that the tenants have been deemed served with notice to end tenancy as declared by the landlord.

I accept the evidence before me that the tenants have failed to pay the rent identified as owing in full within the 5 days granted under section 46 (4) of the *Act*.

Based on the foregoing, 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 10 Day Notice, March 25, 2014.

Therefore, I find that the landlord is entitled to an Order of Possession.

The landlord has not provided any Tenant Rent Ledger or rent receipts to demonstrate that \$1,435.00, and not the \$1,250.00 identified in the 10 Day Notice, was owing as of the date of the landlord's application for dispute resolution. In the absence of any supporting evidence to confirm the amount requested in the landlord's application, I find that the landlord is entitled to a monetary Order of \$1,250.00, the amount identified as owing in the 10 Day Notice.

#### Conclusion

I grant an Order of Possession to the landlord effective **two days after service of this**Order on the tenant. Should the tenant(s) fail to comply with this Order, this Order may be filed and enforced as an Order of the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

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Pursuant to section 67 of the *Act*, I find that the landlord is entitled to a monetary Order in the amount of \$1,250.00 for rent owed as of March 4, 2014. The landlord is provided with these Orders in the above terms and the tenant(s) must be served with **this Order** as soon as possible. Should the tenant fail to comply with these Orders, these Orders may be filed in the Small Claims Division of the Provincial Court and enforced as Orders 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: April 01, 2014

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