

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding NPR Ltd Partnership and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

DECISION

<u>Dispute Codes</u> OPR

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.

The landlord submitted a signed Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding which declares that on April 17, 2014, the landlord handed the tenant the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding. Based on the written submissions of the landlord and in accordance with section 89 of the *Act*, I find that the tenant has been served with the Direct Request Proceeding documents on April 17, 2014.

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*?

Background and Evidence

The landlord submitted the following evidentiary material:

- A copy of the Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding served to the tenant;
- A copy of a residential tenancy agreement which was signed by the landlord and the tenant on August 31, 2012, indicating a monthly rent of \$950.00 due on the 1st day of the month;
- A rent ledger identifying the amounts owed and payments made during the course of this tenancy; and
- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent (the 10 Day Notice)
 handed to the tenant by the landlord's representative RS on April 2, 2014 with a
 stated effective vacancy date of April 15, 2014, for \$950.00 in unpaid rent.

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Witnessed documentary evidence filed by the landlord indicates that the tenant failed to pay all outstanding rent was served by handing the 10 Day Notice to the tenant at 3:16 p.m. on April 2, 2014. The tenant and a witness signed a Proof of Service document entered into written evidence by the landlord attesting to the landlord's service of the 10 Day Notice to the tenant at that time and date. In accordance with section 88 of the *Act*, the tenant was served with this 10 Day Notice on April 2, 2014.

The Notice states that the tenant 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 tenant 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 tenant has been served with notice to end tenancy as declared by the landlord. I accept the evidence before me that the tenant has 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 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 10 Day Notice, April 15, 2014.

Therefore, I find that the landlord is entitled to an Order of Possession for unpaid rent owing from April 2014.

Conclusion

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

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 22, 2014

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