

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding MAINSTREET EQUITY CORP. and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

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 for each tenant to declare that on June 24, 2014 the landlord sent the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding to each tenant via registered mail at the rental unit address. The landlord provided registered mail receipts, including tracking numbers, as proof of service. Section 90 of the Act deems a person to have received documents five days after mailing.

Based on the written submissions of the landlord, I find that the tenants are 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 November 17, 2010, indicating a monthly rent of \$750.00 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 June 8, 2014 with a stated effective vacancy date of June 18, 2014, for \$925.00 in unpaid rent as of June 1, 2014;
- A copy of a Proof of Service of the 10 Day Notice indicating the landlord posted the 10 Day Notice on the tenants' door on June 8, 2014 in the presence of a witness; and,
- A copy of the tenant's ledger summary report showing charges for rent, NSF and late fees and payments received.

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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 indicates the amount indicated on the 10 Day Notice is the sum of unpaid rent of \$750.00 plus \$175.00 in accumulated late fees and NSF fees. The landlord seeks to recover unpaid rent of \$750.00 by way of this Application.

<u>Analysis</u>

I have reviewed all documentary evidence and I find the tenants are deemed to have been served with the 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy three days after it was posted on the door. As such, the effective date of the Notice automatically changes to read June 21, 2014.

I accept the evidence before me that the tenants failed to pay the rent owed for June 2014 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 June 21, 2014 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 \$750.00 for the month of June 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

Dated: July 04, 2014

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 \$75.00 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.

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