

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes: OPR, MNR

Introduction

This hearing dealt with an application by the landlord pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* for an order of possession and for a monetary order for unpaid rent.

The landlord's witness testified that he had served the notice of hearing on the tenant on July 11, 2014, in person. Despite having been served the notice of hearing, the tenant did not attend the hearing. The landlord attended the hearing and was given full opportunity to present evidence and make submissions.

Issues to be decided

Is the landlord entitled to an order of possession? Is the landlord entitled to a monetary order to recover unpaid rent?

Background and Evidence

The tenancy started in January 2014. The monthly rent is \$600.00 due in advance on the first of each month.

The landlord testified that the tenant failed to pay rent for March, April, May and June 2014. On June 24, 2014, the landlord served the tenant with a notice to end tenancy for unpaid rent in the amount of \$2,400.00. The tenant did not dispute the notice and continued to occupy the rental unit without paying rent.

As of the date of the hearing the tenant also owes the landlord rent for July and August 2014. The landlord is applying for a monetary order for unpaid rent in the total amount of \$3,600.00. The landlord stated that a neighbour informed him that it appears as if the tenant has moved out. The landlord has also applied for an order of possession effective two days after service on the tenant.

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<u>Analysis</u>

Based on the undisputed sworn testimony of the landlord, I accept the landlord's evidence in respect of the claim. The tenant received the notice to end tenancy on June 24, 2014 and did not pay outstanding rent nor did the tenant make application, pursuant to Section 46 to set aside the notice to end a residential tenancy, and the time to do so has expired.

In these situations, the *Residential Tenancy Act* provides that the tenant has been deemed to have accepted the end of the tenancy on the date set out in the Notice. Pursuant to section 55(2) I am issuing a formal order of possession effective two days after service on the tenant. The Order may be filed in the Supreme Court for enforcement.

I find that the landlord is entitled to \$3,600.00 for unpaid rent. I grant the landlord an order under section 67 of the *Residential Tenancy Act* for this amount. This order may be filed in the Small Claims Court and enforced as an order of that Court.

Conclusion

I grant the landlord an order of possession effective two days after service on the tenant and a monetary order in the amount of \$3,600.00.

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: August 28, 2014

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