

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding CASCADIA APARTMENT RENTALS LTD. and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

## DECISION

Dispute Codes OPR, MNR

## **Introduction**

This matter was conducted by way of 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 and a monetary order.

The landlord submitted a signed Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding which declares that on September 23, 2014 the landlord served the tenants with the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding by registered mail. Section 90 of the Act determines that the document is deemed to have been served five days after a notice has been mailed by registered mail or on September 28, 2014.

Based on the written submissions of the landlord, I find that the tenants have been served with the Direct Request Proceeding documents.

#### Issue(s) to be Decided

Is the landlord entitled to an Order of possession?

Is the landlord entitled to monetary compensation for unpaid rent?

## Background and Evidence

The landlord submitted the following evidentiary material:

- A copy of the Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Proceeding for the tenants;
- A copy of a residential tenancy agreement which was signed by the parties on April 13, 2010, indicating a monthly rent of \$800.00 due in advance of the 1st day of the month; and

- A copy of an annual rent increase dated May 19, 2011 increasing the rent to \$818.00.
- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent which was issued on August 2, 2014 with a stated effective vacancy date of August 12, 2014, for \$818.00 in unpaid rent.

Documentary evidence filed by the landlord indicates that the tenants have failed to pay rent owed and were served the 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent by posting in on the door of the Tenants' rental unit on August 2, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. The Proof of Service of the 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy is supported by a witness signature. The Act deems the tenants were served on August 5, 2014, three days after posting the Notice on the door.

The Notice states that the tenants had five days to pay the rent 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.

#### <u>Analysis</u>

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

The notice is deemed to have been received by the tenants on August 5, 2014.

I accept the evidence before me that the tenants have failed to pay the rent owed in full with in 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 Notice.

Therefore, I find that the landlord is entitled to an Order of possession and a monetary Order for unpaid rent.

### **Conclusion**

I find, pursuant to section 55 of the Act, that the landlord is entitled to an Order of Possession effective **two days after service** on the tenants and the Order may be filed in the Supreme Court and enforced as an Order of that Court.

I find that the landlord is entitled to monetary compensation pursuant section 67 in the amount of **\$818.00** rent owed and I grant an Order in that amount. This Order must be served on the tenants and may be filed in the Provincial Court (Small Claims) and 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: September 29, 2014

Residential Tenancy Branch