

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

## **DECISION**

Dispute Codes OPR, MNR

#### <u>Introduction</u>

This matter proceeded 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 landlords for an Order of Possession and a monetary order for unpaid rent.

The landlords submitted a signed Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding which declares that on October 22, 2014, the landlords served the tenant with the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding via registered mail. Section 90 of the Act determines that a document served in this manner is deemed to have been served five days later. Based on the written submissions of the landlords, I find that the tenant has been duly served with the Direct Request Proceeding documents.

## Issue(s) to be Decided

The issues to be decided are whether the landlords are entitled to an Order of Possession for unpaid rent and to a monetary Order for unpaid rent, pursuant to sections 46, 55 and 67 of the Act.

## Background and Evidence

The landlords submitted the following evidentiary material:

- A copy of the Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Proceeding for the tenant;
- A copy of a residential tenancy agreement which was signed by the parties on January 24, 2013, indicating a monthly rent of "\$2,1500.00" due on the first day of the month, although this is a typographical error in the agreement and the landlords have shown the actual rent payable is \$2,150.00; and
- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent which was issued on October 14, 2014, with a stated effective vacancy date of October 24, for \$730.00 in rent owed for May 2014, and \$2,150.00 owed in rent for each of June, July, August, September and October, totaling \$11,480.00 in unpaid rent.

Documentary evidence filed by the landlords indicates that the tenant had failed to pay all rent owed and was served the 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent by personal delivery, which was witnessed on October 14, 2014.

The Notice informs the tenant 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 the notice to end tenancy as declared by the landlords.

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 Notice. Therefore, I find that the landlords are entitled to an Order of possession and a monetary Order for unpaid rent.

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Conclusion

I find that the landlords are entitled to an Order of Possession effective two days after

service on the tenant and this Order may be filed in the Supreme Court and enforced

as an Order of that Court.

I find that the landlords are entitled to monetary compensation pursuant section 67 in

the amount of \$11,480.00 comprised of rent owed. This Order must be served on the

tenant and may be filed in the Provincial Court (Small Claims) and enforced as an Order

of that Court.

This decision is final and binding on the parties, unless otherwise provided under the

Act, and 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: October 28, 2014.

Residential Tenancy Branch