

Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes: OPR, MNR, MNSD, FF

Introduction

This hearing dealt with an application by the landlord pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* for an order of possession pursuant to the notice to end tenancy for nonpayment of rent. The landlord also applied for a monetary order for unpaid rent and the filing fee.

The notice of hearing was served on the tenant on December 10, 2014 by registered mail. The landlord provided a tracking number. 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 and a monetary order for rent and the recovery of the filing fee?

Background and Evidence

The tenancy started on July 01, 2014. The monthly rent is \$995.00 due in advance on the first of each month.

The landlord stated that the tenant failed to pay rent for November and on November 20, 2014; the landlord served the tenant with a notice to end tenancy for unpaid rent in the amount of \$995.00. The tenant did not dispute the notice and paid rent by cheque on November 24, 2014. The cheque was returned for insufficient funds. On December 03, 2014, the tenant paid rent for November by money order and the landlord accepted the payment for use and occupancy only.

In a letter dated December 08, 2014, the landlord informed the tenant that rent for December was due along with a charge of \$25.00 from the bank for the returned cheque.

At the time of the hearing the tenant was in occupation of the rental unit and owed rent for the months of December 2014 and January 2015. The landlord has applied for an order of possession effective two days after service on the tenant and for a monetary order for a total of \$2,065.00 which consists of unpaid rent (\$1,990.00), NSF charge (\$25.00) plus the filing fee (\$50.00).

<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 for unpaid rent on November 20, 2014 and did not pay rent within five days of receiving the notice to end tenancy 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 further find that the landlord is entitled to rent in the amount of \$1,990.00 and the NSF charge of \$25.00. Since the landlord has proven her case, she is entitled to the recovery of the filing fee of \$50.00. I grant the landlord an order under section 67 of the *Residential Tenancy Act* for \$2,065.00. 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 **\$2,065.00**.

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: January 08, 2015

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