

Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding BRISTOL ESTATES and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

DECISION

Dispute Codes OPR, MNR

Introduction

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 landlord for an Order of Possession and a Monetary Order for unpaid rent.

The landlord submitted a copy of the registered mail receipt and tracking number which confirms that on January 16, 2015, the landlord served the tenant with the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding via registered mail.

Section 90 of the Act determines that documents served in this manner are deemed to have been served five days later, whether or not the tenant refuses or neglects to accept the documents.

Based on the written submissions of the landlord, I find that the tenant has been duly served with the Direct Request Proceeding documents as of January 21, 2015.

Issue(s) to be Decided

The issues to be decided are whether the landlord is 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 landlord submitted the following evidentiary material:

• A copy of the registered mail customer receipt and tracking number;

- A copy of a Residential Tenancy Agreement which was signed by the parties on August 31, 2014, indicating a monthly rent of \$850.00 due on the first day of the month; and
- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent which was issued on January 3, 2015 with a stated effective vacancy date of January 12, 2015, for \$850.00 in unpaid rent (the "10 Day Notice").

Documentary evidence filed by the landlord indicates that the tenant failed to pay all rent owed for January 2015 and was served the 10 Day Notice by posting on the rental unit door. Section 90 of the Act deems the tenant was served on January 6, 2015 and as such, pursuant to section 53, the effective vacancy date is automatically corrected to January 16, 2015.

The Notice states 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 10 Day Notice within five days from the date of service, nor did the tenant pay the outstanding rent within that time.

<u>Analysis</u>

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

I accept the evidence before me that the tenant has failed to pay all 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 *corrected* 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 that the landlord is entitled to an Order of Possession effective **two (2) days after service** on the tenant 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 **\$850.00** comprised of rent owed for the month of January 2015. 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: January 22, 2015

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