

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

# **DECISION**

<u>Dispute Codes</u> OPR, MNR

## <u>Introduction</u>

This matter proceeded by way of an *ex parte* 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 based on unpaid rent and a monetary Order.

The landlord submitted two signed Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Request Proceedings which declares that on August 19, 2015, the landlord sent the tenants the Notices of Direct Request Proceeding by registered mail to the rental unit. The landlord provided copies of the Canada Post Customer Receipts containing the Tracking Numbers to confirm these mailings. Based on the written submissions of the landlord and in accordance with sections 89 and 90 of the *Act*, I find that the tenants have been deemed served with the Direct Request Proceeding documents on August 24, 2015, the fifth day after their registered mailing.

#### Issue(s) to be Decided

Is the landlord entitled to an Order of Possession for unpaid rent pursuant to sections 46 and 55 of the *Act*?

Is the landlord entitled to monetary compensation for unpaid rent pursuant to section 67 of the *Act*?

# Background and Evidence

The landlord submitted the following evidentiary material:

 Two copies of the Proof of Service of the Notices of Direct Request Proceeding served to the tenants;

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- A copy of a residential tenancy agreement which was signed by the landlord and the tenants on January 24, 2013, indicating a monthly rent of \$1,875.00, due on the first day of the month for a tenancy commencing on March 01, 2013;
- A copy of a Tenant Ledger showing the rent owing and paid during this tenancy;
- A Monetary Order Worksheet showing the rent owing and paid during this tenancy; and
- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent (the 10 Day Notice) dated August 07, 2015, and sent by registered mail to the tenant on August 07, 2015, with a stated effective vacancy date of August 22, 2015, for \$3,283.00 in unpaid rent.

Witnessed documentary evidence filed by the landlord indicates that the 10 Day Notice was sent by registered mail to the tenant at 7:54 p.m. on August 04, 2015. The landlord provided a copy of the Canada Post Customer Receipt containing the Tracking Number to confirm this mailing. The 10 Day Notice states that the tenants had five days from the date of service to pay the rent in full or apply for Dispute Resolution or the tenancy would end.

## <u>Analysis</u>

I have reviewed all documentary evidence and in accordance with sections 88 and 90 of the *Act*, I find that the tenants were deemed served with the 10 Day Notice on August 12, 2015, five days after its mailing.

I find that the tenants were obligated to pay the monthly rent in the amount of \$1,875.00 as per the tenancy agreement.

I accept the evidence before me that the tenants have failed to pay the rent owed in full within the 5 days granted under section 46 (4) of the *Act* and did not dispute the 10 Day Notice within that 5 day period

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 10 Day Notice, August 22, 2015.

I find that the Tenant Ledger which was submitted by the landlord as evidence shows that there was an increase in the monthly rent as of June 01, 2015. I further find that

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there is no Notice of Rent Increase form submitted by the landlord to support this increase in the monthly rent and that I am not able to establish the total rent that is

actually owing to the landlord.

For the above reason, the monetary portion of the landlord's application is dismissed

with leave to reapply.

Therefore, I find that the landlord is entitled to an Order of Possession for unpaid rent

owing for July 2015 and August 2015 as of August 19, 2015.

Conclusion

I grant an Order of Possession to the landlord effective **two days after service of this** 

Order on the tenant. Should the tenant(s) fail to comply with this Order, this Order may

be filed and enforced as an Order of the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

I dismiss the monetary portion of the landlord's application, with leave to reapply.

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 25, 2015

Residential Tenancy Branch