

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

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

<u>Introduction</u>

This hearing dealt with the landlord's Application for Dispute Resolution seeking an order of possession and a monetary order.

The hearing was conducted via teleconference and was attended by the landlord and the landlord's agent.

The landlord provided documentary evidence to confirm both tenants were served with the notice of hearing documents and this Application for Dispute Resolution, pursuant to Section 59(3) of the *Residential Tenancy Act (Act)* by registered mail on December 30, 2015 in accordance with Section 89. Section 90 of the *Act* deems documents served in such a manner to be received on the 5th day after they have been mailed.

Based on the documented evidence of the landlord, I find that each tenant has been sufficiently served with the documents pursuant to the *Act*.

Issue(s) to be Decided

The issues to be decided are whether the landlord is entitled to an order of possession for unpaid rent; to a monetary order for unpaid rent; for all or part of the security deposit and to recover the filing fee from the tenants for the cost of the Application for Dispute Resolution, pursuant to Sections 38, 46, 55, 67, and 72 of the *Act*.

Background and Evidence

The landlord submitted the following documentary evidence:

- A copy of a residential tenancy agreement which was signed by the parties on August 31, 2015 for a 3 year and two month fixed term tenancy beginning on September 1, 2015 for the monthly rent of \$2,600.00 due on the 3rd of each month and a security deposit of \$1,300.00 was paid; and
- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent that was issued on December 15, 2015 with an effective vacancy date of December 30, 2015 due to \$3,200.00 in unpaid rent.

The landlord submits the tenants failed to pay the full rent owed for the months of November and December 2015 and that the tenants were served the 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent by registered mail on December 16, 2015.

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The Notice states the tenants had five days to pay the rent or apply for Dispute Resolution or the tenancy would end. The tenants did not pay the rent in full or apply to dispute the Notice to End Tenancy within five days. The landlord acknowledged in the hearing the tenants have submitted a payment of \$1,000.00 on January 2, 2016 and another payment of \$1,600.00 but no payments for rent for the months of January or February 2016. The landlord submitted the current arrears total \$5,800.00.

<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 December 21, 2015 and the effective date of the notice is amended to December 31, 2015, pursuant to Section 53 of the *Act*. I accept the evidence before me that the tenants 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 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.

Conclusion

I find the landlord is entitled to an order of possession effective **two days after service on the tenants**. This order must be served on the tenants. If the tenants fail to comply with this order the landlord may file the order with the Supreme Court of British Columbia and be enforced as an order of that Court.

I find the landlord is entitled to monetary compensation pursuant to Section 67 in the amount of **\$5,900.00** comprised of \$5,800.00 rent owed and the \$100.00 fee paid by the landlord for this application.

I order the landlord may deduct the security deposit and interest held in the amount of \$1,300.00 in partial satisfaction of this claim. I grant a monetary order in the amount of **\$4,600.00**. This order must be served on the tenants. If the tenants fail to comply with this order the landlord may file the order in the Provincial Court (Small Claims) and be 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: February 15, 2016

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