

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding MAINSTREET EQUITY CORP. and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

DECISION

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

<u>Introduction</u>

This matter was conducted 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 due to unpaid rent.

The Direct Request process is a mechanism that allows the landlord to apply for an expedited decision without a participatory hearing. As a result, the landlord must follow and submit documentation **exactly** as the *Act* prescribes and there can be no omissions or deficiencies within the written submissions that are left open to interpretation or inference.

The landlord submitted a signed Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding which declares that on January 26, 2016 the landlord served the tenants with the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding by registered mail. Section 90 of the *Act* determines that a document is deemed to have been served on the fifth day after it was sent.

Based on the written submissions of the landlord, I find that the tenants have been served with the Dispute Resolution Direct Request Proceeding documents.

Background and Evidence

The landlord submitted the following evidentiary material:

- A copy of the Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding for the tenants:
- A copy of a residential tenancy agreement which was signed by the parties on August 25, 2015 for a tenancy beginning September 01, 2015 for the monthly rent of \$975.00 due on the 1st of the month;
- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent which was issued on, January 09, 2016 with an effective vacancy date of January 19, 2016 due to \$934.00 in unpaid rent;
- A copy of a Monetary Order worksheet which indicates that rent is owed of \$934.00.00 for January, 2016.

Documentary evidence filed by the landlord indicates that the tenants have failed to pay the full rent owed for the month of January and that the tenants were served a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent which was posted on the door of the tenants' rental unit on January 09, 2016 and therefore is deemed served three days later.

The Notice states that the tenants had five days to pay the rent or apply for Dispute Resolution or the tenancy would end. The tenants did not apply to dispute the Notice to End Tenancy within five days.

<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 January 12, 2016 and the effective date of the Notice is amended to January 22, 2016 pursuant to section 53 of the *Act.* I accept the

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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.

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

Notice.

Conclusion

I find that the landlord is entitled to an Order of Possession, pursuant to section 55 of

the Act, effective two days after service on the tenants. This Order must be served

on the tenants and 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 to section 67 of

the Act, in the amount of \$934.00 for rent owed. This Order must be served on the

tenants and may be filed in the Provincial Court (Small Claims) and 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 01, 2016

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