

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

# DECISION

Dispute Codes OPR, MNR, FF, CNC, FF

# Introduction

This hearing was convened in response to applications by the landlord and the tenant.

The landlord's application is seeking orders as follows:

- 1. For an order of possess based on unpaid rent;
- 2. For a monetary order for unpaid rent;
- 3. To keep all or part of the security deposit; and
- 4. To recover the cost of filing the application.

The tenant's application is seeking orders as follows:

- 1. To cancel a 1 Month Notice to End Tenancy for Cause; and
- 2. To recover the cost of filing the application.

## Tenant's application

This matter was set for hearing by telephone conference call at 11:00 A.M on this date. The line remained open while the phone system was monitored for ten minutes and the only participant who called into the hearing during this time was the landlord. Therefore, as the tenant did not attend the hearing by 11:10 A.M, and the landlord appeared and was ready to proceed, I dismiss the tenant's application without leave to reapply.

## Landlord's application

The landlord attended the hearing. As the tenant did not attend the hearing, service of the Notice of Dispute Resolution Hearing was considered.

The Residential Tenancy Branch Rules of Procedure states that the respondent must be served with a copy of the Application for Dispute Resolution and Notice of Hearing. The landlord testified the Application for Dispute Resolution and Notice of Hearing were sent by registered mail sent on September 15, 2016, a Canada post tracking number was provided as evidence of service, the tenant did not appear.

Section 90 of the Act determines that a document served in this manner is deemed to have been served five days later. I find that the tenant has been duly served in accordance with the Act.

## Issues to be Decided

Is the landlord entitled to an order of possession for unpaid rent? Is the landlord entitled to a monetary order for unpaid rent?

#### Background and Evidence

Based on the testimony of the landlord, I find that the tenant was served with a notice to end tenancy for non-payment of rent on September 3, 2016, by posting on the door, which was witnessed. The notice informed the tenant that the notice would be cancelled if the rent was paid within five days. The notice also explains the tenant had five days to dispute the notice.

The landlord stated that the tenant did not pay the outstanding rent of \$850.00 and \$25.00 for the parking for September 2016. The landlord stated that the tenant did not pay any rent for October 2016.

## <u>Analysis</u>

Based on the above, the testimony, and evidence, and on a balance of probabilities, I find as follows:

The tenant has not paid the outstanding rent and did not apply to dispute the notice and is therefore conclusively presumed under section 46(5) of the Act to have accepted that the tenancy ended on the effective date of the Notice. The tenant did not pay subsequent rent since the notice was issued.

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 tenant. This order may be filed in the Supreme Court and enforced as an order of that Court.

I find that the landlord has established a total monetary claim of **\$1,850.00** comprised of unpaid rent for September and October 2016(\$1,700.00), the parking fee for September and October 2016 (\$50.00) and the \$100.00 fee paid by the landlord for this application. This order may be filed in the Provincial Court (Small Claims) and enforced as an order of that court.

## **Conclusion**

The tenant failed to pay rent and did not file to dispute the notice to end tenancy. The tenant is presumed under the law to have accepted that the tenancy ended on the effective date of the notice to end tenancy.

The landlord is granted an order of possession, and a monetary order.

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: October 27, 2016

Residential Tenancy Branch