# **Dispute Resolution Services**



Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

## DECISION

Dispute codes OPL MNR MND

#### Introduction

This hearing dealt with the landlord's application pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the "Act") for:

- an order of possession for landlord's use of property pursuant to section 55;
- a monetary order for unpaid rent pursuant to section 67;
- a monetary order for damage to the rental unit pursuant to section 67;

The hearing was conducted by conference call. The tenant did not attend this hearing, although I waited until 9:20 a.m. in order to enable the tenant to connect with this teleconference hearing scheduled for 9:00 a.m. The landlord attended the hearing and was given a full opportunity to provide affirmed testimony, to present evidence and to make submissions.

The landlord testified that on July 5, 2017, he served the tenant with a copy of the Application for Dispute Resolution and Notice of Hearing by posting a copy to the door of the rental unit.

Based on the above evidence, I am satisfied that the tenant was served with the Application for Dispute Resolution and Notice of Dispute Resolution Hearing pursuant to sections 89 & 90 of the Act. The hearing proceeded in the absence of the tenant.

The landlord's application for monetary compensation is dismissed <u>with leave to reapply</u> as the application for dispute resolution was not served on the tenant by a method permitted under section 89 of the Act. The landlord served the application by posting it to the door of the rental premises. Section 89 of the Act permits posting as a method of service for the purposes of an application for an order of possession but not for a monetary order.

## <u>Issues</u>

Is the landlord entitled to an order of possession for landlord's use of property (the "2 Month Notice")?

## Background and Evidence

The tenancy for this basement suite began on March 1, 2017 with a monthly rent of \$800.00 payable on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of each month.

The landlord testified that on April 27, 2017 he served the tenant with the 2 Month Notice by posting a copy to the door of the rental premises.

#### <u>Analysis</u>

I am satisfied that the tenant was deemed served with the 2 Month Notice on April 30, 2017, three days after its posting, pursuant to sections 88 & 90 of the Act. I find the 2 Month Notice complies with the form and content requirements of section 52 of the Act.

Pursuant to section 49 of the *Act*, the tenant may make a dispute application within fifteen days of receiving the 2 Month Notice. If, as in the present case, the tenant does not make an application for dispute within fifteen days, the tenant is conclusively presumed to have accepted that the tenancy ended on the effective date of the Notice, July 30, 2017.

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

#### Conclusion

I grant an Order of Possession to the landlord effective **two days after service of this Order** on the tenant. Should the tenant fail to comply with this Order, this Order may be filed and enforced as an Order of the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

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: September 14, 2017

Residential Tenancy Branch