

## **Dispute Resolution Services**

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# Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

### **DECISION**

Dispute Codes OPR

#### <u>Introduction</u>

This hearing dealt with an Application for Dispute Resolution by the landlord for an order of possession.

Although served with the Application for Dispute Resolution and Notice of Hearing, in person, on November 21, 2017. I find that the tenant has been duly served in accordance with the Act.

The landlord's agent, gave testimony and was provided the opportunity to present their evidence orally and in written and documentary form, and to make submissions at the hearing.

#### Issue to be Decided

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

#### Background and Evidence

Based on the testimony of the landlord's agent, I find that the tenant was served with a notice to end tenancy for non-payment of rent on October 2, 2017, by posting to the door. 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's agent testified that the tenant's rent is \$415.00 per month. The agent stated that they took over the property recently and they have determined that the tenant has not paid rent in a long time. The agent stated that the tenant's current rent

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arrears total the amount of \$7,660.00. The agent stated that they did not seek a monetary order as they tenant has no ability to pay; however, the tenant cannot continue to live in the rental unit without paying rent and they seek an order of

possession.

<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.

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.

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.

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: January 10, 2018

Residential Tenancy Branch