

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes OPR-DR

Introduction

This matter proceeded by way of an *ex parte* 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 landlords for an Order of Possession based on unpaid rent.

The landlords submitted two signed Proofs of Service of the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding which declare that on January 05, 2018, the landlords sent each of the tenants the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding by registered mail to the rental unit. The landlords provided copies of the Canada Post Customer Receipts containing the Tracking Numbers to confirm these mailings. Based on the written submissions of the landlords and in accordance with sections 89 and 90 of the *Act*, I find that each of the tenants is deemed to have been served with the Direct Request Proceeding documents on January 10, 2018, the fifth day after their registered mailing.

Issue(s) to be Decided

Are the landlords entitled to an Order of Possession for unpaid rent pursuant to sections 46 and 55 of the *Act*?

Background and Evidence

The landlords submitted the following evidentiary material:

- A copy of a residential tenancy agreement which was signed by the landlords and the tenants on April 18, 2017, indicating a monthly rent of \$1,150.00, due on the first day of each month for a tenancy commencing on May 01, 2017;
- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent dated December 11, 2017 for \$1,150.00 in unpaid rent (the 10 Day Notice). The 10 Day Notice provides that the tenants had five days from the date of service to pay the rent in full or apply for Dispute Resolution or the tenancy would end on the stated effective vacancy date of December 21, 2017;
- A copy of a witnessed Proof of Service Notice to End Tenancy form which indicates that the 10
 Day Notice was posted to the tenants' door and a copy was put in the tenants' mail box at 8:41
 p.m. on December 11, 2017; and
- A Direct Request Worksheet showing the rent owing and paid during the relevant portion of this tenancy.

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Analysis

I have reviewed all documentary evidence and in accordance with sections 88 and 90 of the *Act*, I find

that the tenants were deemed served with the 10 Day Notice on December 14, 2017,

three days after its posting.

I find that the tenants were obligated to pay the monthly rent in the amount of \$1,150.00, as per the

tenancy agreement.

I accept the evidence before me that the tenants have failed to pay the rent owed in full within the five

days granted under section 46(4) of the Act and did not dispute the 10 Day Notice within that five day

period.

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 corrected effective date of the 10 Day Notice, December

24, 2017.

Therefore, I find that the landlords are entitled to an Order of Possession for unpaid rent owing for

December 2017 as of January 04, 2018.

Conclusion

I grant an Order of Possession to the landlords effective **two days after service of this Order** on the tenant(s). Should the tenant(s) 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 Act.

Dated: January 11, 2018

Residential Tenancy Branch