

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

<u>Dispute Codes</u> OPR, MNR, FF

Introduction

This hearing dealt with an Application for Dispute Resolution by the landlords for an order of possession, for a monetary order for unpaid rent or utilities, for and to recover the filing fee from the tenants.

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

The Residential Tenancy Branch Rules of Procedure states that each 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 served, by registered mail sent on January 13, 2018 and successfully delivered on January 15, 2018, Canada post tracking numbers were provided as evidence of service.

I find that the tenants have been duly served in accordance with the Act.

The landlord, 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.

<u>Issues to be Decided</u>

Are the landlords entitled to an order of possession for unpaid rent? Are the landlords entitled to a monetary order?

Background and Evidence

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Based on the testimony of the landlord, I find that the tenants were served with a notice to end tenancy for non-payment of rent on January 2, 2018, by leaving in the tenants` mail slot. The landlord stated they also sent it by email and text message. The landlord stated that they were able to confirm with the tenant AW, that it was received.

The notice informed the tenants that the notice would be cancelled if the rent was paid within five days. The notice also explains the tenants had five days to dispute the notice.

The landlord testified that at the time the Notice was issued the tenant failed to pay rent in the amount of \$3,400.00. The landlord stated on January 13, 2018, they received the amount of \$1,250.00, from the tenants. The landlord stated that the tenants did not pay the outstanding rent for January 2018, and have failed to pay any rent in February and March 2018. The landlord seeks to recover unpaid rent in the amount of \$7,200.00 and 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 tenants have not paid the outstanding rent and did not apply to dispute the notice and are 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 tenants. This order may be filed in the Supreme Court and enforced as an order of that Court. The **tenants are cautioned** that costs of such enforcement are recoverable from the tenants.

I find that the landlords have established a total monetary claim of \$7,300.00 comprised of unpaid rent for January, February, March 2018 and the \$100.00 fee paid by the landlords for this application. I grant the landlord a formal order pursuant to section 67 of the Act. This order may be filed in the Provincial Court (Small Claims) and enforced as an order of that court. The **tenants are cautioned** that costs of such enforcement are recoverable from the tenants.

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Conclusion

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

The landlords are 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: March 09, 2018

Residential Tenancy Branch