

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 landlord for an Order of Possession based on unpaid rent.

The landlord submitted a signed Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding which declares that on March 20, 2018, the landlord sent the tenant the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding by registered mail to the rental unit. The landlord provided a copy of the Canada Post Customer Receipt containing the Tracking Number to confirm this mailing. Section 90 of the *Act* determines that a document served in this manner is deemed to have been received five days after service.

Based on written submissions of the landlord, and in accordance with Sections 89 and 90 of the *Act*, I find that the tenant has been deemed served with the Direct Request Proceeding documents on March 25, 2018, the fifth day after their registered mailing.

Issue(s) to be Decided

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

Background and Evidence

The landlord submitted the following evidentiary material:

- A copy of a residential tenancy agreement which was signed by the landlord and the tenant on August 30, 2016, indicating a monthly rent of \$900.00, due on the first day of each month for a tenancy commencing on September 1, 2016;
- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent (the 10 Day Notice) dated March 06, 2018 for \$900.00 in unpaid rent. The 10 Day Notice provides that the tenant 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 March 19, 2018;
- A copy of a witnessed Proof of Service Notice to End Tenancy form which indicates that the 10 Day Notice was posted to glass beside the tenant's door at 12:00 p.m. on March 06, 2018;
- A Direct Request Worksheet showing the rent owing and paid during the relevant portion of this tenancy in the amount of \$900.00; and

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A copy of a tenant ledger indicating the tenant has failed to pay the full amount of rent over the

course of several months in the amount of \$5,200.00.

Analysis

I have reviewed all documentary evidence and in accordance with sections 88 and 90 of the Act, I find that the tenant was deemed served with the 10 Day Notice on March 09, 2018, three days after its

posting.

I find that the tenant was obligated to pay the monthly rent in the amount of \$900.00, as per the tenancy

I accept the evidence before me that the tenant has 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 tenant is conclusively presumed under sections 46(5) and 53(2) of

the Act to have accepted that the tenancy ended on the effective date of the 10 Day Notice, March 19,

2018.

Therefore, I find that the landlord is entitled to an Order of Possession for unpaid rent owing as of March

15, 2018.

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: March 26, 2018

Residential Tenancy Branch