

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding REALSTAR APARTMENT PARTNERSHIP 3-BRAEMAR GARDENS and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

DECISION

<u>Dispute Codes</u> OPR-DR, FFL

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 12, 2019, the landlord served the tenant the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding by handing the documents to Person B.W., an adult who resides with the tenant. The landlord had a witness sign the Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding to confirm this service. Based on the written submission of the landlord and in accordance with section 89(2) of the *Act*, I find that the tenant has been duly served with the Direct Request Proceeding documents on March 12, 2019.

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*?

Is the landlord entitled to recover the filing fee for this application pursuant to section 72 of the *Act*?

Background and Evidence

The landlord submitted the following evidentiary material:

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- A copy of a residential tenancy agreement which was signed by the landlord and the tenant on November 1, 2018, indicating a monthly rent of \$1,800.00, due on the first day of each month for a tenancy commencing on November 15, 2018;
- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent (the 10 Day Notice) dated March 3, 2019, for \$1,800.00 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 13, 2019;
- A copy of a witnessed Proof of Service Notice to End Tenancy form which indicates that the 10 Day Notice was posted to the tenant's door at 12:34 pm on March 3, 2019; and
- A Direct Request Worksheet and ledger showing the rent owing and paid during the relevant portion of this tenancy. The Direct Request Worksheet and ledger noted that \$1,800.00 of the \$1,800.00 identified as owing in the 10 Day Notice was paid on March 9, 2019.

<u>Analysis</u>

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 6, 2019, three days after its posting.

I find that the tenant was obligated to pay the monthly rent in the amount of \$1,800.00, as per the tenancy agreement.

Section 46(4)(a) of the *Act*, regarding a landlord's notice for non-payment of rent, states that "within 5 days after receiving a notice under this section, the tenant may pay the overdue rent, in which case the notice has no effect."

I find that the Direct Request Worksheet and ledger submitted by the landlord indicate that the tenant has paid the total rent that was owed on the 10 Day Notice on March 9, 2019, within the five day days allowed by the *Act*.

Therefore, I dismiss the landlord's application to end this tenancy and obtain an Order of Possession on the basis of the 10 Day Notice dated March 3, 2019, without leave to reapply.

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The 10 Day Notice dated March 3, 2019, is cancelled and of no force or effect.

As the landlord was not successful in this application, I find that the landlord is not entitled to recover the \$100.00 filing fee paid for this application.

Conclusion

The landlord's application for an Order of Possession on the basis of the 10 Day Notice dated March 3, 2019, is dismissed, without leave to reapply.

The 10 Day Notice dated March 3, 2019, is cancelled and of no force or effect.

This tenancy continues until it is ended in accordance with the Act.

I dismiss the landlord's application to recover the filing fee paid for this application without leave to reapply.

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: April 09, 2019

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