

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes OPR, MNR, FFL

Introduction

On August 26, 2019, the Landlord submitted an Application for Dispute Resolution under the *Residential Tenancy Act* ("the Act") for an order of possession; for a monetary order for unpaid rent or utilities; and to recover the cost of the filing fee.

The matter was set for a conference call hearing. The Landlord attended the teleconference hearing; however, the Tenant did not. The Landlord was assisted by an agent. The Landlord provided affirmed testimony that the Tenant was served the Notice of Dispute Resolution Proceeding on September 7, 2019 by registered mail. The Landlord provided a photograph of the registered mail envelope including the tracking information.

I find that the Tenant has been duly served with the Notice of Dispute Resolution Proceeding in accordance with sections 89 and 90 of the *Act.*

The Landlord was provided the opportunity to present his evidence orally and in written and documentary form, and to make submissions at the hearing.

Issues to be Decided

- Is the Landlord entitled to an order of possession due to unpaid rent?
- Is the Landlord entitled to a monetary order to recover unpaid rent?
- Is the Landlord entitled to recover the cost of the filing fee?

Background and Evidence

The Landlord testified that the tenancy began on February 12, 2019, as a month to month tenancy. Rent in the amount of \$1,100.00 is to be paid to the Landlord by the

first day of each month. The Tenant paid the Landlord a security deposit in the amount of \$550.00.

The Landlord testified that the Tenant was served with a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent or Utilities dated August 1, 2019, ("the 10 Day Notice"). The Landlord testified that the Notice was served on August 2, 2019, by attaching it to the Tenant's door.

The 10 Day Notice indicates that the Tenant has failed to pay rent in the amount of \$1,100.00 which was due on August 1, 2019. 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.

There is no evidence before me that the Tenant made an application to dispute the 10 Day Notice.

The Landlord testified that the Tenant made the following rent payments, and owes the following amounts:

Month	Rent Paid	Rent Owing
March 2019	\$300.00	\$800.00
April 2019	\$1,100.00	\$800.00
May 2019	\$0.00	\$1,900.00
June 2019	\$1,050.00	\$1,950.00
July 2019	\$1,000.00	\$2,050.00
August 2019	\$0.00	\$3,150.00

The Landlord seeks an order of possession for the rental unit and a monetary order for unpaid rent in the amount of \$3,150.00.

<u>Analysis</u>

Based on the evidence before me, the testimony of the Landlord, and on a balance of probabilities, I find that the Tenant did not pay all the rent owing under the tenancy agreement within five days of receiving the 10 Day Notice, and did not apply to dispute the 10 Day 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. The Tenant is cautioned that costs of such enforcement are recoverable from the Tenant.

I find that the Tenant failed to pay the Landlord the rent owing under the tenancy agreement. I find that the Tenant owes the Landlord \$3,150.00 for unpaid rent.

Section 72 of the Act gives me authority to order the repayment of a fee for an application for dispute resolution. I order the Tenant to repay the \$100.00 fee that the Landlord paid to make application for dispute resolution.

I find that the Landlord has established a total monetary claim of \$3,250.00 comprised of \$3,150.00 in unpaid rent for the above-mentioned dates and the \$100.00 fee paid by the Landlord for this hearing.

I find that the Landlord is entitled to a monetary order in the amount of \$3,250.00. This monetary order may be filed in the Provincial Court (Small Claims) and enforced as an order of that court. The Tenant is cautioned that costs of such enforcement are recoverable from the Tenant.

Conclusion

The Tenant failed to pay the rent due under the tenancy agreement and did not file to dispute the 10 Day Notice. The Tenant is presumed under the law to have accepted that the tenancy ended on the effective date of the Notice.

The Landlord is granted an order of possession effective two (2) days after service on the Tenant and I grant a monetary order for the unpaid rent and the cost of the filing fee in the amount of \$3,250.00.

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: October 29, 2019

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