



# Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch  
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

## **DECISION**

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### 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 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 took place on October 18, 2019. Based on the written submissions of the landlord and in accordance with sections 89 and 90 of the *Act*, I find that the tenant is deemed to have been served with the Direct Request Proceeding documents on October 23, 2019, 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 February 16, 2016, indicating a monthly rent of \$1,400.00, due on the first day of each month for a tenancy commencing on March 01, 2016:
- A copy of two Notice of Rent Increase forms showing the rent being increased from \$1,400.00 to the monthly rent amount of \$1,492.00;

- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent (the 10 Day Notice) dated October 03, 2019, for \$1,520.31 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 October 13, 2019;
- A copy of a signed Proof of Service Notice to End Tenancy form which indicates that the 10 Day Notice was personally served to a close friend of the tenant "PF" at 4.15 p.m. on October 03, 2019. The personal service was confirmed as "PF" acknowledged receipt of the Notice by signing the Proof of Service form.
- A Direct Request Worksheet showing the rent owing and paid during the relevant portion of this tenancy.

### Analysis

I have reviewed all documentary evidence and find that in accordance with section 88 of the *Act* the tenant was duly served with the 10 Day Notice on October 03, 2019.

I find that the tenant was obligated to pay the monthly rent in the amount of \$1492.00, as per the tenancy agreement and the Notices of Rent Increase.

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 section 46(5) of the *Act* to have accepted that the tenancy ended on the effective date of the 10 Day Notice, October 13, 2019.

Therefore, I find that the landlord is entitled to an Order of Possession.

### Conclusion

I grant an Order of Possession to the landlord 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 *Residential Tenancy Act*.

Dated: October 29, 2019

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