

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

## **DECISION**

<u>Dispute Codes</u> OPR-DR-PP, OPRM-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 and a Monetary Order.

The landlord submitted two signed Proof of Service Notice of Direct Request Proceeding forms which declare that on November 28, 2020, the landlord personally served each of the tenants the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding. The landlord had the tenants and a witness sign the Proof of Service Notice of Direct Request Proceeding forms to confirm personal service. Based on the written submissions of the landlord and in accordance with section 89 of the *Act*, I find that the tenants have been duly served with the Direct Request Proceeding documents on November 28, 2020.

## 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 monetary compensation for unpaid rent pursuant to section 67 of the *Act*?

#### Background and Evidence

I have reviewed all written submissions and evidence before me; however, only the evidence and submissions relevant to the issues and findings in this matter are described in this decision.

The landlord submitted the following relevant evidentiary material:

 A copy of a residential tenancy agreement which was signed by the landlord on April 1, 2019 and the tenants on April 14, 2019, indicating a monthly rent of

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\$1,100.00, due on the first day of each month for a tenancy commencing on November 25, 2018;

- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent (the 10 Day Notice)
  dated October 15, 2020, for \$1,955.65 in unpaid rent. The 10 Day Notice provides
  that the tenants 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 26, 2020;
- A copy of a witnessed Proof of Service Notice to End Tenancy form which indicates that the 10 Day Notice was personally served to the tenants at 8:00 pm on October 15, 2020; and
- A Direct Request Worksheet showing the rent owing and paid during the relevant portion of this tenancy. The Direct Request Worksheet indicates that \$1,700.00 was paid in October 2020 and \$200.00 was paid in November 2020.

# <u>Analysis</u>

I have reviewed all documentary evidence and in accordance with section 88 of the *Act*, I find that the tenants were duly served with the 10 Day Notice on October 15, 2020.

I accept the evidence before me that the tenants have failed to pay the full \$1,955.65 listed on the 10 Day Notice 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 tenants are 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 26, 2020.

Therefore, I find that the landlord is entitled to an Order of Possession for unpaid rent as of the date of this application, November 27, 2020.

I find that the monthly breakdown of rent owing on the Direct Request Worksheet does not match with the total monetary amount requested by the landlord.

I find I am not able to confirm the precise amount of rent owing and for this reason, the landlord's application for a Monetary Order for unpaid rent is dismissed, with leave to reapply.

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# 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.

I dismiss the landlord's application for a Monetary Order for unpaid rent with 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:	Decembe	er 16,	2020
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