

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes 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 filed by the Landlords for an order of possession and an order granting recovery of the filing fee.

The Landlords submitted a signed Proof of Service Notice of Direct Request Proceeding which declares that the Landlords served the Tenant with a Notice of Dispute Resolution Proceeding and supporting documents by registered mail on April 29, 2021. Canada Post receipts which included the tracking number were submitted in support. Pursuant to section 89 and 90 of the *Act*, I find these documents are deemed to have been received by the Tenant on May 4, 2021, five days after they were mailed.

<u>Issues to be Decided</u>

- 1. Are the Landlords entitled to an order of possession for unpaid rent pursuant to sections 46 and 55 of the *Act*?
- 2. Are the Landlords 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.

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The Landlords submitted the following relevant evidentiary material:

- A copy of a signed residential tenancy agreement, indicating a monthly rent in the amount of \$1,600.00 due on the first day of each month, for a tenancy commencing on April 1, 2020;
- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent or Utilities dated March 2, 2021 for "1,600 + late fees" (the "10 Day Notice"). 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 17, 2021;
- A copy of signed Proof of Service Notice to End Tenancy documents which indicate that the 10 Day Notice was served on the Tenant in person on March 7, 2021, receipt of which was acknowledged by the Tenant's signature; and
- A copy of a Direct Request Worksheet showing the rent owing and paid during the relevant period.

<u>Analysis</u>

I have reviewed all documentary evidence and I find that the Tenant was obligated to pay monthly rent in the amount of \$1,600.00.

In accordance with sections 88 and 90 of the *Act*, I find that the Tenant was served with and received the 10 Day Notice on March 7, 2021, the day it was served on them in person.

I accept the evidence before me that the Tenant failed to pay the rent owed in full within the five days after receipt of the 10 Day Notice 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 March 17, 2021, the effective date of the 10 Day Notice.

Therefore, I find the Landlords are entitled to an order of possession which will be effective two days after it is served on the Tenant.

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Having been successful, I also find the Landlords are entitled to recover the \$100.00 filing fee paid to make the application.

Conclusion

The Landlords are granted an order of possession which will be effective two days after it is served on the Tenant. The order of possession must be served on the Tenant. The order of possession may be filed and enforced as an order of the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

The Landlords are granted a monetary order in the amount of \$100.00 in recovery of the filing fee. The monetary order must be served on the Tenant. The monetary order may be filed in and enforced as an order of the Provincial Court of British Columbia (Small Claims).

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: May 17, 2021	
	Residential Tenancy Branch