

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

## **DECISION**

Dispute Code OPR-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 filed by the Landlord for an order of possession for unpaid rent.

The Landlord submitted a signed Proof of Service Notice of Direct Request Proceeding which declares that they served the Tenant with a Notice of Dispute Resolution Proceeding and supporting documents by registered mail on July 26, 2021. Service in this manner was supported by Canada Post registered mail receipts which included the tracking number, and tracking information. Pursuant to sections 89 and 90 of the *Act*, I find these documents are deemed to have been received by the Tenant on July 31, 2021, five days after they were mailed.

I also note that the landlord that appears in the tenancy agreement is the P.S.S.S., which is not the Landlord named in the application. However, after reviewing the documents submitted, including signatures, I find that the Landlord is an agent of the P.S.S.S. and is entitled to bring the application.

#### Issue 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

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 signed residential tenancy agreement indicating a monthly rent in the amount of \$780.00 due on the first day of each month, for a tenancy commencing on March 7, 2019;
- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent or Utilities dated July 5, 2021 for \$1,500.00 in unpaid rent (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 July 15, 2021;
- A copy of a signed Proof of Service Notice to End Tenancy document which indicates that the 10 Day Notice was served on the Tenant in person on July 5, 2021, which service was witnessed by B.D.; and
- A copy of a Direct Request Worksheet showing the rent due 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 \$750.00, as indicated on the Direct Request Worksheet.

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 July 5, 2021, the day it was served in person.

I accept the evidence before me that the Tenant failed to pay the rent owed in full within 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 section 46(5) of the *Act* to have accepted that the tenancy ended on June 15, 2021, the effective date of the 10 Day Notice.

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

### **Conclusion**

The Landlord is 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.

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: August 11, 2021

Residential Tenancy Branch