

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding Atira Property Management Inc and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

DECISION

<u>Dispute Codes</u> OPR-DR

Preliminary Matters

I note that tenant's name on the tenancy agreement submitted by the landlord is slightly different than the tenant's name shown on the Application for Dispute Resolution, the 10 Day Notice, and all other documents submitted with the Application. Section 64(3)(c) of the *Act* allows me to amend the application to include both versions of the tenant's name, which I have done.

<u>Introduction</u>

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 to obtain an Order of Possession based on unpaid rent.

This decision is written based on the Application for Dispute Resolution, evidence, and submissions provided by the landlord on September 10, 2021.

The landlord submitted a signed Proof of Service Notice of Direct Request Proceeding which declares that on September 23, 2021, the landlord personally served the tenant the Notice of Dispute Resolution Proceeding - Direct Request. The landlord had the tenant and a witness sign the Proof of Service Notice of Direct Request Proceeding 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 Direct Request Proceeding documents were duly served to the tenant on September 23, 2021.

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*?

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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 tenant, indicating a monthly rent of \$375.00, due on the first day of each month for a tenancy commencing on October 1, 2020
- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent (the 10 Day Notice) dated September 1, 2021, for \$3,350.00 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 September 14, 2021
- A copy of a witnessed Proof of Service Notice to End Tenancy form which indicates that the 10 Day Notice was posted to the tenant's door at 6:43 pm on September 1, 2021
- A Direct Request Worksheet and ledger showing the rent owing and paid during this tenancy

Analysis

I have reviewed all documentary evidence and I find that the tenant was obligated to pay the monthly rent in the amount of \$375.00, as per the tenancy agreement.

In accordance with sections 88 and 90 of the *Act*, I find that the 10 Day Notice was served on September 1, 2021 and is deemed to have been received by the tenant on September 4, 2021, three days after its posting.

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, September 14, 2021.

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

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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. Should the tenant 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 18, 2021

Residential Tenancy Branch