



Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes **OPR-DR, MNR-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 by the Landlord to obtain an order of possession based on unpaid rent, to obtain monetary compensation for unpaid rent, and to recover the filing fee paid for the application.

This decision is written based on the Application for Dispute Resolution, evidence, and submissions provided by the Landlord on September 9, 2021.

The Landlord submitted copies of two signed Proof of Service Notice of Direct Request Proceeding forms which declare that on September 23, 2021, the Landlord sent each Tenant the Notice of Dispute Resolution Proceeding - Direct Request by registered mail to the rental unit. The Landlord provided copies of two Canada Post Customer Receipts containing the tracking numbers to confirm they served the Tenants.

Based on the written submissions and evidence of the Landlord and in accordance with sections 89(1) and 90 of the *Act*, I find that the Direct Request Proceeding documents were served on September 23, 2021 and are deemed to have been received by the Tenants on September 28, 2021, the fifth day after they were mailed.

Issues 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*?

Is the Landlord entitled to recover the filing fee for this application pursuant to section 72 of the *Act*?

Background and Evidence

The Landlord submitted the following relevant evidentiary material:

- a copy of a residential tenancy agreement which was signed by Landlords who are not the Applicants and the Tenants on December 9, 2017, indicating a monthly rent of \$2,500.00, due on the fifteenth day of each month for a tenancy commencing on December 15, 2017;
- a copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent or Utilities (the “10 Day Notice”) dated August 24, 2021, for \$25,500.00 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 September 4, 2021;
- a copy of a Proof of Service Notice to End Tenancy form signed by Tenant T.M. which indicates that the 10 Day Notice was personally served to the Tenants at 6:30pm on August 24, 2021;
- a copy of a power of attorney document which indicates that the Landlord had authorized the Landlords named in the tenancy agreement to act on their behalf; and;
- a copy of a Direct Request Worksheet showing the rent owing and paid during the relevant period.

Analysis

I have reviewed all documentary evidence and I find that the Tenants were obligated to pay the monthly rent in the amount of \$2,500.00, as per the tenancy agreement.

In accordance with section 88 of the *Act*, I find that the 10 Day Notice was served on August 24, 2021.

I accept the evidence before me that the Tenants have 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 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, September 4, 2021.

Therefore, I find that the Landlord is entitled to an order of possession and a monetary award in the amount of \$25,500.00, the amount claimed by the Landlord for unpaid rent

owing for March 2020- July 2020, September 2020, October 2020, December 2020, January 2021, April 2021 and June 2021.

As the Landlord was successful in this application, I find that the Landlord is entitled to recover the \$100.00 filing fee paid for this application.

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.

Pursuant to sections 67 and 72 of the *Act*, I grant the Landlord a monetary order in the amount of \$25,600.00 for rent owed for March 2020- July 2020, September 2020, October 2020, December 2020, January 2021, April 2021, June 2021 and for the recovery of the filing fee for this application. The Landlord is provided with this order in the above terms and the Tenant(s) must be served with **this order** as soon as possible. Should the Tenant(s) fail to comply with this order, this order may be filed in the Small Claims Division of the Provincial Court and enforced as an order of that court.

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: November 02, 2021

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