



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 June 23, 2022.

Notice of Dispute Resolution Proceeding – Direct Request

The landlord a signed Proof of Service Notice of Direct Request Proceeding form which declares that on June 29, 2022, the landlord served Tenant J.C. the Notice of Dispute Resolution Proceeding - Direct Request in person. The landlord had Tenant J.C. sign the Proof of Service Notice of Direct Request Proceeding form 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 Tenant J.C. on June 29, 2022.

The landlord a second signed Proof of Service Notice of Direct Request Proceeding form which declares that on June 29, 2022, the landlord served Tenant B.C. the Notice of Dispute Resolution Proceeding - Direct Request by handing the documents to Person B.P. The landlord had Person B.P. sign the Proof of Service Notice of Direct Request Proceeding form to confirm this service.

I find I am not able to determine whether Person B.P. is an alias for Tenant B.C. or whether the landlord served the Direct Request documents to a person who is not Tenant B.C.

I find I am not able to confirm service of the Notice of Dispute Resolution Proceeding – Direct Request to Tenant B.C., which is a requirement of the Direct Request process. For this reason, I will only proceed with the portion of the landlord's application naming Tenant J.C. as a respondent.

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*?

Is the landlord entitled to recover the filing fee for this application pursuant to section 72 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 and Tenant J.C., indicating a monthly rent of \$1,200.00, due on the first day of each month for a tenancy commencing on June 1, 2010
- A copy of three Notice of Rent Increase forms showing the rent being increased from \$1,200.00 to the monthly rent amount of \$1,323.54
- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent (the 10 Day Notice) dated June 2, 2022, for \$1,323.54 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 June 12, 2022

- A copy of a Proof of Service Notice to End Tenancy form which was signed by Tenant J.C. and indicates that the 10 Day Notice was served to Tenant J.C. in person at 2:00 pm on June 2, 2022
- A Direct Request Worksheet showing the rent owing and paid during the relevant portion of this tenancy

Analysis

I have reviewed all documentary evidence and in accordance with section 88 of the *Act*, I find that the 10 Day Notice was duly served to Tenant J.C. on June 2, 2022.

I accept the evidence before me that Tenant J.C. 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 Tenant J.C. 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, June 12, 2022.

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

The landlord submitted a copy of a Notice of Rent Increase showing the rent being adjusted from \$1,240.00 to \$1,289.60 in 2018. However, the next Notice of Rent Increase shows the starting rent as \$1,290.00 and not \$1,289.60.

I find I am not able to confirm the increases in the rent or the current monthly rent owing. For this reason, the landlord's application for a Monetary Order for unpaid rent is dismissed with leave to reapply.

As the landlord was partially 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 Tenant J.C. Should Tenant J.C. **and any other applicant** 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 section 72 of the *Act*, I grant the landlord a Monetary Order in the amount of \$100.00 for the recovery of the filing fee for this application. The landlord is provided with this Order in the above terms and Tenant J.C. must be served with **this Order** as soon as possible. Should Tenant J.C. 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.

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: July 19, 2022

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