

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

Dispute Codes OPR, MNR

## DECISION

## **Introduction**

This hearing dealt with an Application for Dispute Resolution by the landlord for an order of possession, and a monetary order for unpaid rent.

Although served with the Application for Dispute Resolution and Notice of Hearing by registered mail on January 31, 2013, a Canada post tracking number was provided as evidence, the tenant did not appear. I find that the tenant has been duly served in accordance with the Act.

The landlord gave testimony and was provided the opportunity to present their evidence orally and in written and documentary form, and to make submissions at the hearing.

#### Issue(s) to be Decided

Is the landlord entitled to an order of possession for unpaid rent? Is the landlord entitled to a monetary order?

#### Background and Evidence

Based on the testimony of landlord, I find that the tenant was served with a notice to end tenancy for non-payment of rent on January 7, 2013, by leaving it personally with (LC) who is an adult person living in the rental unit, which was witnessed by a third party.

The notice informed the tenant that the notice would be cancelled if the rent was paid within five days. The notice also explains the tenant had five days to dispute the notice.

The landlord testified the tenant was in rent arrears in the amount of \$4,092.00, as of January 7, 2013, which is the amount indicated in the notice to end tenancy. The landlord stated the tenant paid on January 11, 2013, the sum of \$400.00 towards outstanding rent, leaving a balance owing of \$3,692.00. The landlord stated the tenant has not paid rent for February 2013, increasing the balance of outstanding rent to \$5,656.00. Filed in evidence is a copy of the tenancy agreement.

### <u>Analysis</u>

Based on the above, the testimony, and evidence, and on a balance of probabilities, I find as follows:

The tenant has not paid the outstanding rent and did not apply to dispute the Notice and is therefore conclusively presumed under section 46(5) of the Act to have accepted that the tenancy ended on the effective date of the Notice.

I find that the landlord is entitled to an order of possession effective **two days** after service on the tenant. This order may be filed in the Supreme Court and enforced as an order of that Court.

I find that the landlord has established a total monetary claim of **\$5,706**.00 comprised of rent unpaid rent up to and including February 2013, and the \$50.00 fee paid by the landlord for this application. This order may be filed in the Provincial Court (Small Claims) and enforced as an order of that court.

#### **Conclusion**

The tenant failed to pay rent and did not file to dispute the notice to end tenancy. The tenant is presumed under the law to have accepted that the tenancy ended on the effective date of the notice to end tenancy.

The landlord is granted an order of possession, and a monetary order in the above amount.

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: February 26, 2013

Residential Tenancy Branch