

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

# **DECISION**

**Dispute Codes** 

OPR, MNR

## Introduction

This hearing proceeded by way of Direct Request Proceeding, pursuant to sections 55(4) and 74(2) of the *Residential Tenancy Act (Act)*, and dealt with an Application for Dispute Resolution by the Landlord for an Order of Possession and a monetary Order.

The Landlord submitted a signed Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding which declares that on February 28, 2014 the Landlord served the Tenant with the Notice of Direct Request Proceeding by registered mail. The Landlord submitted a copy of a Canada Post Receipt, with a tracking number, which corroborates that declaration. Based on the written submissions of the Landlord, I find the Tenant has been served with the Dispute Resolution Direct Request Proceeding document. Section 90 of the *Act* stipulates that a document that is served by mail is deemed received on the fifth day after it is mailed which, in these circumstances, is March 05, 2014.

#### Issue(s) to be Decided

Is the Landlord is entitled to an Order of Possession for unpaid rent and to a monetary Order for unpaid rent, pursuant to sections 55 and 67 of the *Act?* 

## Background and Evidence

I have reviewed the following evidence that was submitted by the Landlord:

- A copy of the Proof of Service of the Notice of Direct Proceeding for the Tenant.
- A copy of a residential tenancy agreement which appears to be signed by the Tenant that indicates that the tenancy began on February 21, 2011 and that the rent of \$850.00 is due by the first day of each month.
- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent that appears to be signed by the Landlord and is dated February 17, 2014, which declares that the Tenant must vacate the rental unit by February 27, 2014 as he has failed to pay

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rent in the amount of \$4,250.00 that was due on February 01, 2014. The Notice declares that the tenancy will end unless the Tenant pays the rent within five days of receiving the Notice or submit an Application for Dispute Resolution seeking to set aside the Notice within five days of receiving the Notice.

 A copy of a signed Proof of Service of the 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy, in which an agent for the Landlord declared that the Notice was posted on the door of the rental unit on February 17, 2014, in the presence of another person, who also signed the Proof of Service.

In the Application for Dispute Resolution the Landlord declared that the 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent was posted on the door on February 17, 2014.

In the Application for Dispute Resolution the Landlord is seeking a monetary Order for unpaid rent, in the amount of \$4,250.00.

### Analysis

Based on the evidence provided by the Landlord and in the absence of evidence to the contrary, I find that the Tenant entered into a tenancy agreement that required the Tenant to pay monthly rent of \$850.00 by the first day of each month and that the Tenant owed rent of \$4,250.00 by the time the Landlord filed this Application for Dispute Resolution. I have no evidence to show that the Tenant paid the outstanding rent since the Application for Dispute Resolution was filed and therefore I find that the Tenant owes rent in the amount of \$4,250.00.

Based on the evidence provided by the Landlord and in the absence of evidence to the contrary, I find that a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy was posted at the rental unit on February 17, 2014.

I have no evidence to show that the Tenants filed an Application for Dispute Resolution seeking to set aside the Notice to End Tenancy. Pursuant to section 46(5) of the *Act*, I therefore find that the Tenants accepted that the tenancy ended ten days after they are deemed to have received a Notice that was posted on February 17, 2014.

# Conclusion

I grant the Landlord an Order of Possession that is effective two days after service on the Tenant. This Order may be served on the Tenant, filed with the Supreme Court of British Columbia and enforced as an Order of that Court.

The Landlord has established a monetary claim, in the amount of \$4,250.00, for unpaid rent and I grant the Landlord a monetary Order in that amount. This Order may be served on the Tenant, filed with the Province of British Columbia Small Claims 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: March 06, 2014

Residential Tenancy Branch