



Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

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Introduction

This matter proceeded by way of 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 for an order of possession for unpaid rent and a monetary order for unpaid rent.

The landlords submitted a signed proof of service of the notice of direct request proceeding which declares that on February 22, 2014, the landlords served the tenant with the notice of direct request proceeding via personal service at the rental unit at 4:45 p.m.

Based on the written submissions of the landlords, I find that the tenant has been duly served with the direct request proceeding documents as of February 22, 2014.

Issues to be Decided

- Are the landlords entitled to an order of possession for unpaid rent?
- Are the landlords entitled to a monetary order for unpaid rent?

Background and Evidence

The landlords submitted the following evidentiary material:

- A copy of the proof of service of the notice of direct proceeding for the tenant;
- A copy of a residential tenancy agreement which was signed by the parties on January 1, 2014, indicating a monthly rent of \$800.00 due on the first day of the month; and

- A copy of a 10 day notice to end tenancy for unpaid rent which was issued on February 4, 2014, with a stated effective vacancy date of February 28, 2014, for \$800.00 in unpaid rent.

Documentary evidence filed by the landlords indicate that the tenant had failed to pay the rent owed and was served the 10 day notice to end tenancy for unpaid rent by personal service on February 4, 2014 at 5:50 p.m. at the rental unit, which was witnessed by third party, "SE".

The notice states that the tenant had five days to pay the rent in full or apply for dispute resolution or the tenancy would end 10 days from the service date. The tenant did not apply to dispute the notice to end tenancy within five days from the date of service. According to the landlords' application, the tenant only paid \$350.00 of the \$800.00 rent for February 2014, leaving the unpaid portion of rent for February 2014 of \$450.00 owing by the tenant.

Analysis

I have reviewed all documentary evidence and accept that the tenant has been served with notice to end tenancy as declared by the landlord.

I accept the evidence before me that the tenant has failed to pay the rent owed in full within the 5 days granted under section 46(4) of the *Act*.

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 notice, February 28, 2014. Therefore, I find that the landlords are entitled to an order of possession for unpaid rent and a monetary order for unpaid rent.

Conclusion

I find that the landlords are entitled to an order of possession for unpaid rent effective **two (2) days after service** on the tenant and this order may be filed in the Supreme Court and enforced as an order of that court.

I find that the landlords are entitled to monetary compensation pursuant to section 67 in the amount of **\$450.00** comprised of rent owed.

This order must be served on the tenant and may be filed in the Provincial Court (Small Claims) and enforced as an order of that court.

This decision is final and binding on the parties, unless otherwise provided under the *Act*, and 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 4, 2014

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