



Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes OPR

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 landlords for an Order of Possession based on unpaid rent.

The landlords submitted signed Proofs of Service of the Notices of Direct Request Proceedings which declares that on February 26, 2014, the landlords sent both tenants the Notices of Direct Request Proceedings by registered mail. The landlords provided copies of the Canada Post Tracking Numbers to confirm these mailings. Based on the written submissions of the landlords and in accordance with sections 89 and 90 of the *Act*, I find that the tenants have been deemed served with the Direct Request Proceeding documents on March 3, 2014, the fifth day after their registered mailing.

Issue(s) to be Decided

Are the landlords entitled to an Order of Possession for unpaid rent pursuant to sections 46 and 55 of the *Act*?

Background and Evidence

The landlords submitted the following evidentiary material:

- A copy of the Proofs of Service of the Notices of Direct Request Proceedings served to the tenants;
- A copy of a residential tenancy agreement which was signed by the landlords and the tenants on November 20, 2013, indicating a monthly rent of \$1,200.00 due on the 1st day of the month; and
- A copy of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent (the 10 Day Notice) posted on the tenants’ door on February 6, 2014, with a stated effective vacancy date of February 16, 2014, for \$1,200.00 in unpaid rent.

Witnessed documentary evidence filed by the landlords indicates that the tenants failed to pay all outstanding rent was served by posting the 10 Day Notice to the tenants' door at 3:29 p.m. on February 6, 2014. In accordance with sections 88 and 90 of the *Act*, the tenants were deemed served with this 10 Day Notice on February 9, 2014, three days after its posting.

The Notice states 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. The tenants did not apply to dispute the Notice to End Tenancy within five days from the deemed date of service.

Analysis

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

I accept the evidence before me that the tenants have 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 tenants are conclusively presumed under section 46(5) of the *Act* to have accepted that the tenancy ended on the corrected effective date of the 10 Day Notice, February 19, 2014.

Therefore, I find that the landlords are entitled to an Order of Possession.

Conclusion

I grant an Order of Possession to the landlords 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.

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

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