

IN THE MATTER between **YELLOWKNIVES DENE FIRST NATION HOUSING DIVISION**, Applicant, and **EILEEN BETSINA AND EDWARD ABEL**, Respondents;

AND IN THE MATTER of the **Residential Tenancies Act** R.S.N.W.T. 1988, Chapter R-5 (the "Act");

AND IN THE MATTER of a Hearing before, **HAL LOGSDON**, Rental Officer, regarding the rental premises at **YELLOWKNIFE, NT**.

BETWEEN:

YELLOWKNIVES DENE FIRST NATION HOUSING DIVISION

Applicant/Landlord

- and -

EILEEN BETSINA AND EDWARD ABEL

Respondents/Tenants

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. Pursuant to section 41(4)(a) of the *Residential Tenancies Act*, the respondents shall pay the applicant rent arrears in the amount of one thousand six hundred thirty seven dollars and twenty nine cents (\$1637.29).

DATED at the City of Yellowknife, in the Northwest Territories this 22nd day of March, 2006.

Hal Logsdon
Rental Officer

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REASONS FOR DECISION

Date of the Hearing: March 21, 2006

Place of the Hearing: Yellowknife, NT

Appearances at Hearing: Gerry Cheezie, representing the applicant

Date of Decision: March 21, 2006

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The respondents were served with Notices of Attendance on March 9, 2006, but failed to appear at the hearing. The hearing was held in their absence.

The applicant alleged that the respondents breached the tenancy agreement by failing to pay rent and sought an order requiring the respondents to pay the alleged rent arrears. The applicant withdrew the request for an order terminating the tenancy agreement.

The applicant provided copies of the tenant rent ledger in evidence which indicated a balance of rent owing in the amount of \$2098.38.

A previous order (File #10-8086, filed on November 30, 2004) required the respondents to pay rent arrears of \$1961.09. Since that order was filed, the respondents have paid only \$1500 to the applicant, leaving an unsatisfied balance on the previous order of \$461.09.

I find the rent ledger in order and find the respondents in breach of their obligation to pay rent. I find the rent arrears to be \$2098.38. Taking into consideration the unsatisfied balance on the previous order, an order shall issue requiring the respondents to pay the applicant \$1637.29, calculated as follows:

Rent arrears	\$2098.38
Less unsatisfied balance - previous order	<u>(461.09)</u>
Current order	\$1637.29

Hal Logsdon
Rental Officer