IN THE MATTER between **NPRLP**, Applicant, and **DF**, Respondent.

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 Adelle Guigon, Rental Officer,

**BETWEEN:** 

## NPRLP

Applicant/Landlord

-and-

DF

Respondent/Tenant

**REASONS FOR DECISION** 

Date of the Hearing: July 10, 2018

<u>Place of the Hearing</u>: Yellowknife, Northwest Territories

Appearances at Hearing: CDL, representing the applicant

Date of Decision: July 10, 2018

## **REASONS FOR DECISION**

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An application to a rental officer made by NPRLP as the applicant/landlord against DF as the respondent/tenant was filed by the Rental Office April 30, 2018. The application was made regarding a residential tenancy agreement for a rental premises located in Yellowknife, Northwest Territories. The filed application was served on the respondent by registered mail signed for May 25, 2018.

The applicant alleged the respondent had repeatedly failed to pay rent and had accumulated rental arrears. An order was sought for payment of rental arrears, termination of the tenancy agreement, and eviction.

A hearing was scheduled for July 10, 2018, in Yellowknife. CDL appeared representing the applicant. DF was served notice of the hearing by registered mail signed for May 25, 2018. The respondent did not appear at the hearing, nor did anyone appear on the respondent's behalf. The hearing proceeded in the respondent's absence pursuant to subsection 80(2) of the *Residential Tenancies Act* (the Act).

## Tenancy agreement

The applicant's representative testified and evidence was presented establishing a residential tenancy agreement between the parties commencing May 1, 2014. I am satisfied a valid tenancy agreement is in place in accordance with the Act.

## Rental arrears

The resident ledgers entered into evidence represent the landlord's accounting of monthly rents, late payment penalties, and payments received against the respondent's rent account. Rent was established at \$1,994 per month. Late payment penalties were calculated in accordance with the Act. Either insufficient payments or no payments were received in four of the last 12 months of the tenancy.

Given that the respondent has successfully paid all rental arrears, the applicant's representative withdrew their request for payment of rental arrears, termination of the tenancy agreement, and eviction, and instead requested only an order that the respondent pay future rent on time.

I am satisfied the resident ledgers accurately reflect the current status of the respondent's rent account. I find the respondent has repeatedly failed to pay the full amount of rent when due.

Order

An order will issue requiring the respondent to pay rent on time in the future.

Adelle Guigon Rental Officer