

IN THE MATTER between **ULUKHAKTOK HOUSING ASSOCIATION**, Applicant,
and **CHRISTOPHER BANKSLAND**, Respondent;

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

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

BETWEEN:

ULUKHAKTOK HOUSING ASSOCIATION

Applicant/Landlord

- and -

CHRISTOPHER BANKSLAND

Respondent/Tenant

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. Pursuant to section 41(4)(a) of the *Residential Tenancies Act*, the respondent shall pay the applicant rent arrears in the amount of four thousand nine hundred eighty dollars (\$4980.00).
2. Pursuant to section 42(3)(e) of the *Residential Tenancies Act*, the respondent shall pay the applicant repair costs in the amount of one thousand nine hundred forty five dollars and thirty nine cents (\$1945.39).
3. Pursuant to section 41(4)(b) of the *Residential Tenancies Act* the respondent shall pay future rent on time.

4. Pursuant to section 45(4)(a) of the *Residential Tenancies Act*, the respondent shall comply with his obligation to report the household income in accordance with the tenancy agreement between the parties.

DATED at the City of Yellowknife, in the Northwest Territories this 11th day of May, 2011.

Hal Logsdon
Rental Officer

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REASONS FOR DECISION

Date of the Hearing: April 27, 2011

Place of the Hearing: Ulukhaktok, NT

Appearances at Hearing: Joe Perry, representing the applicant
Sadie Joss, representing the applicant

Date of Decision: April 27, 2011

REASONS FOR DECISION

The respondent was served with a Notice of Attendance sent by registered mail and confirmed delivered. The respondent failed to appear at the hearing and the hearing was held in his absence.

The applicant alleged that the respondent had breached the tenancy agreement by failing to pay rent, failing to repair damages to the premises and failing to report the household income in accordance with the tenancy agreement. The applicant sought an order requiring the respondent to pay the alleged rent arrears and repair costs, to pay future rent on time and to comply with his obligation to report the household income. The premises are subsidized public housing.

The applicant provided a copy of the tenant ledgers in evidence which indicated a balance of rent owing in the amount of \$4980 and a balance of repair costs owing in the amount of \$2499.55. The ledger cards indicate that the full unsubsidized rent has been applied in February, March and April, 2011. The applicant stated that the full unsubsidized rent was assessed because the respondent failed to report the household income in accordance with Article 7 of the tenancy agreement.

Tenant's Income

The Tenant promises to provide a subsidy agent appointed by the Landlord with an accurate report of the Tenant's income, the income of any occupant of the Premises, the size of the Tenant's family, and the number of occupants residing on the Premises, whenever, and as often as, the subsidy agent requests such a report.

The applicant testified that the repair costs of \$1945.39 were required due to damage to the walls

in unit #106, a unit previously occupied by the respondent. The applicant could not identify the reasons for the remaining charges related to the repair costs.

I find the respondent in breach of his obligation to pay rent and find the rent arrears to be \$4980. I find the repair costs of \$1945.39 for unit #106 to be reasonable and required due to damage caused by the respondent or persons he permitted in the premises. Relief for the remaining repair costs of \$554.16 is denied as the applicant has not provided sufficient detail regarding these repairs.

An order shall issue requiring the respondent to pay the applicant rent arrears of \$4980 and repair costs of \$1945.39. The respondent is also ordered to pay future rent on time and to comply with his obligation to report the household income in accordance with the tenancy agreement.

Hal Logsdon
Rental Officer