

## **Dispute Resolution Services**

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General

## **DECISION**

<u>Dispute Codes</u> MNSD

## <u>Introduction</u>

This hearing dealt an application by the tenants seeking that the landlords return the security deposit.

Both parties appeared, gave affirmed testimony and were provided the opportunity to present their evidence orally and in written and documentary form, and to cross examine the other party, and make submissions to me.

Opportunity to Settle Dispute:

Section 63 of the *Act* allows for parties to reach a mutual agreement to settle their dispute, with or without the assistance of the Dispute Resolution Officer. Section 63 and the rules of procedure also provide that if a settlement is reached, the terms of the settlement can be documented in a decision by the Dispute Resolution Officer and any Order issued in enforcement of a settlement has the same force and effect as an Order issued without the agreement of the parties.

The landlord and the tenants reached a mutual agreement to resolve their dispute. The terms of the agreement are as follows:

1. The parties agree that the issue of damage to the rental unit and the return of the tenants' security deposit are resolved by the landlords returning the sum of **\$687.50** to the tenants.

Both parties confirmed that this settlement resolves all claims for damage or loss under the tenancy agreement and neither party will pursue any further claims against the other.

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## Conclusion

Pursuant to section 63 of the *Act* the parties have resolved their dispute by mutual agreement as set out in this written decision.

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: February 10, 2011.	
	Residential Tenancy Branch