

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

# **DECISION**

Dispute Codes MNDC

### Introduction

This hearing was convened in response to the tenant's application seeking a monetary award in the sum of \$357.00.

The landlord did not appear at the hearing but did make a written submission. The tenant testified that he served the landlord with the application for dispute resolution hearing package by way of registered mail sent April 6, 2011. Based on the written submission and the testimony of the tenant I am satisfied that the landlord has been served with notice of this hearing.

#### Issue(s) to be Decided

Is the tenant entitled to a monetary award as claimed?

#### Background and Evidence

In his details of dispute the tenant says he is seeking "To return the rent money for the month of March \$375". The tenant testified that he moved into the rental unit in February 2011 and lived therefore 2 days before being put back into hospital. The tenant testified that while he was in hospital the landlord attended the Ministry of Social Services Office and picked up the tenant's cheque for March 2011 in the sum of \$375.00. The tenant says he wants the cheque back or the cash because the landlord stole his cheque.

In his written submissions the landlord says that he did receive a security deposit from the Ministry but did not receive rent for March since the tenant's tenancy ended on February 16, 2011.

# <u>Analysis</u>

Except for his own testimony, the tenant has offered no other evidence to support his claim that the landlord "stole" a cheque from the Ministry of Social Services and that the landlord should now reimburse the tenant for the value of that cheque.

# Conclusion

The tenant's claim is dismissed.

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*.