



# Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch  
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

## **Decision**

### **Dispute Codes:**

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### **Introduction**

This hearing was convened to deal with an Application for Dispute Resolution by the landlord for a monetary order for unpaid rent and utilities.

Both parties were present at the hearing. At the start of the hearing I introduced myself and the participants. The hearing process was explained. The participants had an opportunity to submit documentary evidence prior to this hearing, and the evidence has been reviewed. The parties were also permitted to present affirmed oral testimony and to make submissions during the hearing. I have considered all of the affirmed testimony and relevant evidence that was properly served.

### **Background and Evidence**

Both parties testified that a security deposit of \$825.00 was paid at the start of the tenancy. Both parties testified that no rent was paid by the tenant for the final month of the tenancy. Both parties also agreed that there was an arrangement made between them involving a work-for-value arrangement in which the landlord would receive a tattoo from the tenant, the value of which would be credited towards rent owed. However, the position of the parties differed with respect to the value of the tattoo.

A mediated discussion ensued, the outcome of which was that the parties successfully reached a mutual agreement, providing that the tenant will willingly forfeit the security deposit to be retained by the landlord in full satisfaction of this and any further claims that could otherwise have been pursued by the parties.

I hereby find that the dispute has been successfully resolved through a mutual agreement between the parties barring all current and future claims relating to this tenancy by either party.

**Conclusion**

The dispute put forth in the landlord's application is resolved by mutual agreement between the parties.

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: July 17, 2013

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