

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding Nacel Properties Ltd and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

## **DECISION**

Dispute Codes MND, MNDC, MNR, MNSD, FF

#### Introduction

This hearing dealt with the landlord's Application for Dispute Resolution seeking a monetary order.

The hearing was conducted via teleconference and was attended by the landlord's agent

### Issue(s) to be Decided

The issues to be decided are whether the landlord is entitled to a monetary order for unpaid rent; for damage to the rental unit; for all or part of the security deposit and to recover the filing fee from the tenant for the cost of the Application for Dispute Resolution, pursuant to Sections 38, 45, 67, and 72 of the *Residential Tenancy Act (Act)*.

### Background and Evidence

The landlord testified the tenancy began on June 8, 2011 as a 1 year fixed term tenancy that converted to a month to month tenancy on July 1, 2012 for a monthly rent of \$900.00 due on the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month with a security deposit of \$450.00 paid. The tenancy ended on April 30, 2013.

The landlord submits the tenant provided a written notice to end the tenancy in the form of a letter dated April 12, 2013 indicating the tenant will be vacating the property within one week.

### <u>Analysis</u>

Section 45(1) of the *Act* stipulates that a tenant may end a tenancy by giving the landlord notice to end the tenancy effective on a date that is not earlier than one month after the date the landlord receives the notice and is the day before the day in the month that rent is payable under the tenancy agreement.

Section 45(3) states that if a landlord has failed to comply with a material term of the tenancy agreement and has not corrected the situation within a reasonable period after the tenant gives written notice of the failure, the tenant may end the tenancy effective on a date that is after the date the landlord receives the notice.

Based on the undisputed testimony of the landlord I find the tenant failed to provide notice to end the tenancy that was compliant with Section 45(1). In addition, I note that there is no evidence before me that indicates that the tenant felt the landlord was in breach of a material term of the tenancy agreement; that the tenant informed the landlord of such a breach; or gave the landlord time to correct it.

#### **Conclusion**

Based on the above, I find the landlord is entitled to monetary compensation pursuant to Section 67 in the amount of **\$950.00** comprised of \$900.00 rent owed and the \$50.00 fee paid by the landlord for this application.

I order the landlord may deduct the security deposit and interest held in the amount of \$450.00 in partial satisfaction of this claim. I grant a monetary order in the amount of **\$500.00**.

This order must be served on the tenant. If the tenant fails to comply with this order the landlord may file the order in the Provincial Court (Small Claims) and be enforced as an order of that Court.

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: August 19, 2013

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