



Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

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Introduction

This hearing convened pursuant to the tenant's application to dispute a rent increase as well as for an order that the landlord comply with the Act. The tenant, an advocate for the tenant and an agent for the landlord called in to the teleconference hearing.

Preliminary Issue – Previous Decision

On January 28, 2015 the parties participated in a hearing pursuant to the tenant's application to address several issues, including disputing a rent increase. On September 1, 2014 the landlord and the tenant signed a new tenancy agreement, in which the tenant agreed to pay \$650 for rent commencing January 1, 2015. In the decision dated January 28, 2015 the arbitrator made the finding that the new tenancy agreement was valid, and the tenant would be required to pay monthly rent of \$650 beginning three clear months after the landlord served the tenant with a notice of rent increase.

In the hearing before me, the tenant applied to dispute the increase in rent to \$650. The tenant submitted evidence confirming that on February 13, 2015 he had been served with a notice of rent increase, in which the new rent of \$650 would be payable starting June 1, 2015.

I informed the parties that I could not re-examine an issue that had already been determined. I found that the issues of the validity of the new tenancy agreement and the commencement of the new rent of \$650 had already been determined and I therefore could not hear the tenant's second application.

Conclusion

As this matter has already been determined, the tenant's application 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*.

Dated: June 10, 2015

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