

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

<u>Dispute Codes</u> MND, MNR, MNSD, FF

<u>Introduction</u>

This hearing was convened by conference call in response to an Application for Dispute Resolution (the "Application") made by the Landlord for a Monetary Order for: unpaid rent; damage to the rental unit; to keep the Tenant's security deposit; and to recover the filing fee.

The Landlord and the mother of the Tenant appeared for the hearing. The Tenant's mother confirmed that she was the agent of the Tenant and had authority to make decisions on behalf of the Tenant. Both parties provided affirmed testimony. Only, the Landlord provided documentary and photographic evidence prior to the hearing.

No issues in relation to the service of the Landlord's Application, the Notice of Hearing documents and the Landlord's documentary evidence under the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the "Act") and the Rules of Procedure were raised at the start of the hearing.

Both parties made a number of submissions and presented evidence during the hearing. However, after a lengthy discussion, the parties decided that it would be best to settle the Landlord's monetary claim in full through a mutual agreement.

Settlement Agreement

Pursuant to Section 63 of the Act, the Arbitrator may assist the parties to settle their dispute and if the parties settle their dispute during the dispute resolution proceedings, the settlement may be recorded in the form of a decision or an order.

During the hearing, the parties discussed the issues between them, engaged in a conversation, turned their minds to compromise and achieved a resolution of the dispute. Both parties agreed to settle the Landlord's total monetary claim in full under the following terms:

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- 1. The Tenant's agent agreed to settle the Landlord's monetary claim in the amount of **\$500.00**.
- 2. The Tenant's agent consented to the Landlord keeping the security deposit in the amount of **\$175.00** in partial satisfaction of the above agreed amount.
- 3. This leaves a balance payable by the Tenant to the Landlord in the amount of \$325.00 which is to be paid by the Tenant by the end of October, 2015.
- 4. The Landlord is issued with a Monetary Order for the outstanding amount of \$325.00. Copies of this order are attached with the Landlord's copy of this decision.
- 5. If the Tenant fails to make voluntary payment for the above amount, then a copy of the order must be served on the Tenant and may be then be filed in the Provincial Court (Small Claims) for enforcement as an order of that court.

The Tenant is cautioned to retain documentary evidence of payment in relation to this agreement. This agreement is fully binding on the parties and is in **full satisfaction** of the Landlord's Application. The parties confirmed their voluntary agreement to resolution in this manner both during and at the conclusion of the hearing. This file is now closed.

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 25, 2015

Residential Tenancy Branch