

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

#### **DECISION**

**Dispute Codes**: MNDC

## <u>Introduction</u>

This hearing dealt with an application by the tenant pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* for a monetary order for compensation for loss under the *Act*. Both parties attended and were given full opportunity to present evidence and make submissions. The parties acknowledged receipt of evidence submitted by the other and gave affirmed testimony.

### Issues to be decided

Has the tenant met the tenant's burden of proof that a loss was incurred due to the landlord's violation of the Act or tenancy agreement? Is the tenant entitled to compensation for this loss and if so, in what amount?

## **Background and Evidence**

The tenancy started on May 01, 2014. The monthly rent is \$1,400.00 due on the first day of each month.

The tenant testified that due to a water leak and the ensuing repairs, the tenant suffered a loss of quiet enjoyment and wants to be compensated for this loss.

During the hearing the parties engaged in a conversation, turned their minds to compromise and achieved a resolution of their dispute.

#### **Analysis**

Pursuant to Section 63 of the *Residential Tenancy Act*, the Arbitrator may assist the parties 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 this hearing, the parties reached an agreement to settle their dispute.

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Specifically, it was agreed as follows:

- 1. The landlord offered the tenant \$700.00 as compensation for the loss of quiet enjoyment.
- 2. The tenant agreed to accept \$700.00 in full and final settlement of all claims against the landlord.
- 3. A monetary order in the amount of \$700.00 will be issued in favour of the tenant.
- 4. Both parties agreed that these particulars comprise the full and final settlement of all aspects of this dispute for both parties.

Based on the mutual agreement entered into by the parties, I grant the tenant a monetary order under section 67 of the *Residential Tenancy Act*, for **\$700.00**. This order may be filed in the Small Claims Court and enforced as an order of that Court.

#### Conclusion

I grant the tenant a monetary order in the amount of \$700.00.

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: April 06, 2016

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