

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

### **DECISION**

<u>Dispute Codes</u> MNSD FF

### <u>Introduction</u>

This hearing was convened as a result of the Tenants' Application for Dispute Resolution, dated November 23, 2016 (the "Application"). The Tenants applied for the following relief pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the "*Act*"):

- an order that the Landlord return all or part of the security deposit or pet damage deposit; and
- an order granting recovery of the filing fee.

The Tenants attended the hearing in person, as did the Landlord. All parties provided a solemn affirmation at the beginning of the hearing.

#### Settlement

The opportunity for settlement was discussed with the parties during the hearing. The parties were advised there is no obligation to resolve the dispute through settlement, but that I could assist the parties to reach an agreement, which would be documented in my Decision.

During the hearing, the parties mutually agreed to settle this matter as follows:

- 1. The Landlord agrees to pay the Tenants the sum of \$1,200.00 on or before June 14, 2017, which payment will be sent to the Tenants at the address provided in the Application; and
- 2. The Tenants agree to withdraw the Application in full as part of this mutually agreed settlement.

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This settlement agreement was reached in accordance with section 63 of the *Act*. Accordingly, I decline to make an award for recovery of the filing fee.

## Conclusion

I order the parties to comply with the terms of their mutually settled agreement described above.

In support of this settlement, and with the agreement of the parties, the Tenants are granted a monetary order in the amount of \$1,200.00. This order will be of no force or effect once the Landlord pays the Tenants in accordance with the terms of settlement described above. If necessary, this order may be filed in and enforced as an order of the Provincial Court of British Columbia (Small Claims).

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: May 29, 2017

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