

Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes MNDC, RPP

Introduction

This hearing dealt with the tenant's application pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* ("*Act*") for:

- a monetary order for compensation for damage or loss under the *Act*, *Residential Tenancy Regulation* or tenancy agreement, pursuant to section 67; and
- an order requiring the landlord to return the tenant's personal property, pursuant to section 65.

Both parties attended the hearing and were each given a full opportunity to be heard, to present affirmed testimony, to make submissions and to call witnesses. This hearing lasted approximately 46 minutes in order to allow both parties to negotiate a full settlement of this application.

The landlord confirmed receipt of the tenant's application for dispute resolution hearing package and the tenant confirmed receipt of the landlord's written evidence package. In accordance with sections 88, 89 and 90 of the *Act*, I find that the landlord was duly served with the tenant's application and the tenant was duly served with the landlord's written evidence package.

The landlord confirmed that she did not receive the tenant's first written evidence package, only the second one. As the tenant was unable to provide a date, mail receipt, tracking number or other supporting evidence that she mailed the first written evidence package to the landlord, I informed her that I could not consider the first written evidence package at this hearing. In any event, I was not required to consider the evidence because the parties settled the matter between themselves at the hearing.

<u>Analysis</u>

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 and an order. During the hearing, the parties discussed

the issues between them, turned their minds to compromise and achieved a resolution of their dispute.

Both parties agreed to the following final and binding settlement of all issues with respect to this entire tenancy:

- 1. The landlord agreed to pay the tenant \$90.00 by way of a money order to be mailed by June 26, 2017;
- 2. The tenant agreed that this settlement agreement constitutes a final and binding resolution of her application and any issues arising out of this tenancy;
- 3. Both parties agreed that they will not initiate any future claims or applications against each other at the Residential Tenancy Branch, with respect to any issues arising out of this tenancy.

These particulars comprise a full and final settlement of all aspects of this dispute and arising out of this tenancy. Both parties affirmed that they understood and agreed to the above terms, free of any duress or coercion. Both parties affirmed that they understood and agreed to these terms as legal, final, binding and enforceable, settling all aspects of this dispute and arising out of this tenancy.

Conclusion

In order to implement the above settlement reached between the parties, I issue a monetary Order in the tenant's favour in the amount of \$90.00. I deliver this Order to the tenant in support of the above agreement for use only in the event that the landlord does not abide by condition #1 of the above monetary agreement. The landlord must be served with a copy of this Order as soon as possible after a failure to comply with condition #1 of the above monetary agreement. Should the landlord fail to comply with this Order, this Order may be filed in the Small Claims Division of the Provincial Court and 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: June 12, 2017

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