



Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes:

MNSD

Introduction

This hearing dealt with an application by the tenant, pursuant to section 38 of the *Residential Tenancy Act*, for a monetary order for the return of the security and pet deposits. Both parties attended the hearing and were given full opportunity to present evidence and make submissions.

The landlord acknowledged receipt of evidence submitted by the tenant. Both parties gave affirmed testimony.

Issues to be Decided

Is the tenant entitled to the return of the security and pet deposits?

Background and Evidence

The tenancy started on March 20, 2014. The monthly rent was \$900.00. The parties agreed that prior to moving in the tenant paid security and pet deposits in the total amount of \$550.00. The tenancy ended on April 01, 2017.

The amounts of the deposits, the rent and the date the forwarding address was provided to the landlord were discussed at length.

During this discussion 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 hearing, the settlement may be recorded in the form of a decision or an order.

During this hearing, the parties reached an agreement to settle these matters, on the following conditions:

1. The tenant agreed to accept \$550.00 in full and final settlement of all claims against the landlord that are related to the return of the deposits. A monetary order will be issued to the tenant for this amount.
2. The landlord agreed to pay the tenant \$550.00 in full and final settlement of all claims against the tenant.
3. Both parties stated that they understood and agreed to the above terms of this agreement which comprise full and final settlement of all aspects of this dispute for both parties.

Conclusion

Pursuant to the above agreement, I grant the tenant a monetary order under section 67 of the *Residential Tenancy Act* for the amount of **\$550.00**. This order may be filed in the Small Claims 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: December 05, 2017

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