

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

### **INTERIM DECISION**

<u>Dispute Codes</u> MNSD FF

## <u>Introduction</u>

This hearing was scheduled to deal with the tenant's application pursuant to the Residential Tenancy Act ("Act") for:

- authorization to obtain a return of all or a portion of the security deposit pursuant to section 38;
- authorization to recover the filing fee for this application from the landlord, pursuant to section 72.

### Adjournment of Hearing

At the outset of this hearing, it was discovered that the landlord had filed her own application for dispute resolution regarding this tenancy. The tenant's application was filed on October 16, 2017 and the landlord's application was filed one day after on October 17, 2017. The two applications should have been scheduled to be heard at the same time but for administrative reasons this did not occur. The landlord's application is scheduled to be heard on May 23, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. The tenant acknowledged being served with the landlord's application.

In order to ensure the effective adjudication of both applications at the same time, I adjourned the tenants' application to be heard together with the landlord's application on May 23, 2018 at 1:30 p.m.

The tenants confirmed that they would be attending the adjourned hearing.

## Conclusion

I adjourn the tenant's entire application to be heard at the reconvened hearing. I order that these proceedings be reconvened in accordance with section 74 of the *Act*. I also order that the tenants' application be heard together with the landlord's application at

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the reconvened hearing. Notices of Reconvened Hearing are not enclosed with this interim decision as the parties already have a Notice for the May 23, 2018 hearing.

For more information see our website at: <a href="gov.bc.ca/landlordtenant">gov.bc.ca/landlordtenant</a>. If either party has any questions they may contact an Information Officer with the Residential Tenancy Branch at:

**Lower Mainland**: 604-660-1020

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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 22, 2018

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