

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes: CNC FFT OLC MNRL OPR

<u>Introduction</u>

This hearing was convened in response to cross-applications by the parties pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the "Act") for Orders as follows:

The landlords requested:

- an Order of Possession for non-payment of rent pursuant to section 55; and
- a monetary order for unpaid rent pursuant to section 67.

The tenant requested:

- an order requiring the landlords to comply with the *Act*, regulation or tenancy agreement pursuant to section 62;
- cancellation of the landlords' 1 Month Notice to End Tenancy for Cause (the 1 Month Notice) pursuant to section 47; and
- authorization to recover the filing fee for this application from the landlords, pursuant to section 72 of the Act.

Both parties attended the hearing and were given a full opportunity to be heard, to present their sworn testimony, to make submissions, to call witnesses and to cross-examine one another.

Both parties confirmed receipt of each other's applications for dispute resolution hearing package ("Applications") and evidence. In accordance with sections 88 and 89 of the *Act*, I find that both the landlords and tenant were duly served with the Applications and evidence.

At the beginning of the hearing the landlords testified that the tenant had moved out on June 25, 2018, and withdrew their entire application. As this tenancy has now come to an end, the tenant's application to cancel the 1 Month Notice and for an Order for the Landlord to Comply with the Act were cancelled.

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The filing fee is a discretionary award issued by an Arbitrator usually after a hearing is held and the applicant is successful on the merits of the application. As I was not required to make a decision on the merits of this case, I find that the tenant is not entitled to recover the \$100.00 filing fee paid for this application. The tenant must bear the cost of this filing fee, and therefore the tenant's application to recover the filing fee is dismissed without leave to reapply.

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: July 18, 2018

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