



Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

A hearing was held on October 5, 2018 to deal with monetary cross applications. The tenants applied for return of double the security deposit, less two authorized deductions. The landlord applied for compensation for damage and cleaning; and, authorization to retain the tenants' security deposit. Both parties appeared or were represented at the hearing.

At the outset of the hearing I determined that there were issues with respect to service of hearing documents and evidence upon each other.

I proceeded to hear from the parties orally in the remaining hearing time. I heard submissions from both parties with respect to the tenants' claim but the landlord's claims were not fully heard in the allotted hearing time. I ordered the hearing adjourned and I issued orders to the parties with respect to (re)serving documents upon each other. I also determined that the parties had a willingness to resolve the dispute by way of a mutual agreement. I encouraged the parties to continue their negotiations during the period of adjournment and I informed the parties that if they were able to reach a resolution during the adjournment they may submit a duly executed agreement for consideration and include a request for the reconvened hearing to be cancelled.

The tenants submitted a document that appears to be executed by the all of the parties on October 7, 2018 and October 8, 2018 indicating the parties had reached a mutual agreement whereby the landlord would pay to the tenants \$1,200.00 in resolution of both Applications that were filed. The executed document further specifies that no further dispute resolution services are required and that their Applications are withdrawn upon receipt of payment. The tenants provided proof the payment of \$1,200.00 was made to the tenants by way of e-transfer on October 8, 2018.

In light of the above, I consider both Applications to be resolved by way of a mutual agreement that has been satisfied. I close the respective files as being withdrawn by the parties and there shall be no reconvened hearing.

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: October 10, 2018

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