

## **Dispute Resolution Services**

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# Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

#### **DECISION**

<u>Dispute Codes</u> Landlord: MNDL-S, FFL

Tenant: MNSD, MNDCT, FFT

#### Introduction

This hearing dealt with applications from both the landlord and the tenant pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the *Act*).

#### The landlord applied for:

- a Monetary Order for compensation for damage or loss under the *Act*, regulation or tenancy agreement; and authorization to retain a portion of the tenant's security deposit in satisfaction of this claim pursuant to section 67 of the *Act*; and
- recovery of the filing fee for this application from the tenant pursuant to section 72 of the *Act*.

#### The tenant applied for:

- the return of the security deposit pursuant to section 38 of the Act;
- a monetary order for compensation for damage or loss under the *Act*, regulation or tenancy agreement, pursuant to section 67 of the *Act*, and
- recovery of the filing fee for this application from the landlord pursuant to section 72 of the *Act*.

Both parties attended the hearing and were given a full opportunity to be heard, to present affirmed testimony, to make submissions and to call witnesses.

As both parties were present, service of documents was confirmed. The parties testified that they were in receipt of each other's applications and evidentiary materials. Based on the undisputed testimonies of the parties, I find that both parties were served in accordance with section 89 of the *Act*.

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### <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 or 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** currently under dispute at this time and all claims arising from this tenancy:

- 1. The landlord agreed to pay to the tenant the amount of \$449.52 by electronic transfer payment by no later than 5:00 p.m. on November 19, 2018.
- 2. Both parties agreed that the terms of this settlement as outlined above constitute a final and binding resolution of the landlord's application, the tenant's application, and all issues currently under dispute at this time, and that no further claims will be made by the landlord or the tenant whatsoever arising from this tenancy.
- 3. Both parties confirmed that they agreed to these settlement terms free of any duress or coercion.

#### Conclusion

To give effect to the settlement reached between the parties and as advised to both parties during the hearing, I issue to the tenant the attached Monetary Order in the amount of \$449.52 to be served on the landlord by the tenant **ONLY** if the landlord fails to pay the tenant as per the terms of the settlement 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. If the landlord only makes a partial payment and not the total amount, this partial payment must be accounted for if the tenant is enforcing the Monetary Order.

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: November 16, 2018

Residential Tenancy Branch