



Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes MNDCT, MNSD

On September 28, 2018, the Tenant submitted an Application for Dispute Resolution under the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the “Act”) requesting a Monetary Order for damages, and for the return of her security deposit. The matter was set for a participatory hearing via conference call.

The Landlord and Tenant attended the hearing and provided affirmed testimony. They were provided the opportunity to present their relevant oral, written and documentary evidence and to make submissions at the hearing. The parties testified that they exchanged the documentary evidence that I have before me.

Preliminary Matters

Section 63 of the Act allows an Arbitrator to 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 and include an Order.

Accordingly, after hearing evidence of the tenancy and the issues, I assisted the parties to resolve this dispute by helping them negotiate terms for a Settlement Agreement with the input from both parties.

Settlement Agreement

The Landlord and Tenant confirmed during the hearing that this agreement was made voluntarily and that it was made in full satisfaction of the Tenant’s Application.

1. The Tenant agreed that the Landlord could retain the security deposit in the amount of \$390.00.
2. The Landlord and the Tenant agreed that there will be no further Applications for Dispute Resolution or claims against one another regarding this tenancy.
3. This Application is now closed.

This agreement was summarized for the parties on two occasions and all parties in attendance at the hearing indicated that they agreed to resolve this dispute under these terms. The Landlord and the Tenants both acknowledged that they understood they were not required to enter into this agreement and that they understood the agreement was final and binding.

Conclusion

The above Settlement Agreement is made in full satisfaction of the Tenant's Application.

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: January 25, 2019

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