

Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes MNDCT

Introduction

This hearing dealt with the tenants' application pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the "*Act*") for a monetary award for damages and loss pursuant to section 67.

Both parties attended and were each 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 each confirmed receipt of all relevant materials. Based on the evidence I find that all materials were served on the respective parties in accordance with sections 88 and 89 of the Act.

<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:

- 1. The landlord will pay the tenants the sum of \$350.00 by mailing to the tenants' address for service by August 10, 2019.
- 2. This settlement agreement constitutes a final and binding resolution of the landlord's application at this hearing.

Both parties testified at the hearing that they understood and agreed to the above terms, free of any duress or coercion. The parties confirmed the tenant's address for service. Both parties testified that they understood and agreed that the above terms are legal, final, binding and enforceable, which settle all aspects of this dispute.

Conclusion

I issue a monetary Order in the tenants' favour in the amount of \$350, to be used **only** in the event that the landlord does not abide by the monetary terms of the settlement agreement outlined above. 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.

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 9, 2019

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