

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes MNDCT FFT

Introduction

This hearing dealt with the tenants' application pursuant to section 67 of the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the *Act*) for:

- a monetary order for compensation for money owed under the *Act*, regulation or tenancy agreement pursuant to section 67; and
- authorization to recover the filing fee for this application from the landlords, pursuant to section 72.

KW attended as agent for the landlord in this hearing. OM, counsel for the landlord, also attended on behalf of the landlord. Both parties attended the hearing and were given a full opportunity to be heard, to present their sworn testimony, to call witnesses, and to make submissions.

At the outset of the hearing all parties confirmed that the actual name of the landlord was not included in the original application. As neither party was opposed, the tenants' application was amended to reflect to actual name of the landlord.

Analysis

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:

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1. The landlord agreed to pay to the tenants the sum of \$5,700.00, on or before September 13, 2019. Both parties agreed that this money would payable forthwith to the tenants upon the signing of a release.

2. Both parties agreed that this settlement agreement constituted a final and binding resolution of all matters related to this application and tenancy, and that no further claims can be made by either party related to this tenancy.

Both parties testified at the hearing that they understood and agreed to the above terms, free of any duress or coercion. 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

To give effect to the settlement reached between the parties, and as discussed with them during the hearing, I issue a Monetary Order in the amount of \$5,700.00 in favour of the tenants.

The landlord(s) must be served with this Order as soon as possible. Should the landlord(s) 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: August 13, 2019

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