

## **Dispute Resolution Services**

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# Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

### **DECISION**

<u>Dispute Codes</u> MNDCT, FFT

#### Introduction

This hearing dealt with the tenant's application pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* ("*Act*") for:

- a monetary order for compensation for damage or loss under the *Act, Residential Tenancy Regulation* or tenancy agreement, pursuant to section 67; and
- authorization to recover the filing fee for this application, pursuant to section 72.

The landlord's agent ("landlord") and the tenant attended the hearing and were each given a full opportunity to be heard, to present affirmed testimony, to make submissions, and to call witnesses. The landlord confirmed that he had permission to represent the landlord named in this application, who is the owner of the rental unit, at this hearing. The landlord intended to call a witness at this hearing, who was excluded from the outset. The landlord did not recall the witness, as both parties settled this application. This hearing lasted approximately 62 minutes.

The landlord confirmed receipt of the tenant's application for dispute resolution hearing package and the tenant confirmed receipt of the landlord's evidence package. In accordance with sections 88, 89 and 90 of the *Act*, I find that the landlord was duly served with the tenant's application and the tenant was duly served with the landlord's application.

#### **Settlement Terms**

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 and orders.

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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:

- The landlord agreed to pay the tenant \$4,138.00, which is the cost of two
  months' rent and parking fees, by way of reducing the tenant's rent and parking
  fees for January and February 2020, so the tenant is not required to pay the
  landlord for those two months;
- 2. The tenant agreed to bear the cost of the \$100.00 filing fee paid for this application;
- 3. The tenant agreed that this settlement agreement constitutes a final and binding resolution of her application at this hearing.

These particulars comprise the full and final settlement of all aspects of this dispute for both parties. Both parties understood and agreed to the above terms, free of any duress or coercion. Both parties affirmed that they understood and agreed that the above terms are legal, final and binding and enforceable, which settle all aspects of this dispute.

#### Conclusion

I order that the tenant is entitled to a rent and parking reduction of \$4,138.00 for January and February 2020 and she is not required to pay the landlord for those two months.

The tenant must bear the cost of the \$100.00 filing fee paid for this 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: December 20, 2019

Residential Tenancy Branch