# **Dispute Resolution Services**

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

## DECISION

Dispute Codes MNSD, FFT

### Introduction

This hearing was scheduled to deal with the tenant's application for return of double the security deposit and pet damage deposit. Both parties appeared or were represented at the hearing and had the opportunity to be make relevant submissions and to respond to the submissions of the other party pursuant to the Rules of Procedure.

During the hearing, the parties turned their minds to resolving this matter by way of a final settlement agreement. The parties reached a mutually agreed upon terms and I have recorded their settlement agreement by way of this decision and the order that accompanies it.

### Issue(s) to be Decided

What are the terms of settlement?

### Background and Evidence

The parties mutually agreed upon the following terms during the hearing:

 The landlords shall pay to the tenants and the tenants shall accept the amount of \$1,400.00 (representing the sum of the single amount of the deposits and the filing fee) in full and final settlement of any and all claims pertaining to this tenancy provided the amount is paid within 15 days of today's date.

### <u>Analysis</u>

Pursuant to section 63 of the Act, I have the authority to assist parties in reaching a settlement agreement during the hearing and to record the agreement in the form of a decision or order.

I have accepted and recorded the settlement agreement reached by the parties during this hearing and I make the term(s) an Order to be binding upon both parties.

In recognition of the settlement agreement, I provide the tenants with a Monetary Order in the amount of \$1,400.00.

Considering the sum agreed upon is conditional upon payment within 15 days, if the amount is not paid within 15 days, the settlement agreement is void and the tenants may reapply for doubling of the deposits and the landlords may pursue a damage claim against the tenants.

#### **Conclusion**

The parties reached a settlement agreement during the hearing that I have recorded by way of this decision and the Monetary Order that accompanies it.

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: March 05, 2020

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