

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

<u>Dispute Codes</u> MNDCT FFT MNSD / MNDL-S FFL

Introduction

This hearing dealt with two applications pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the "**Act**"). The landlord's for:

- authorization to retain all or a portion of the tenant's security deposit in partial satisfaction of the monetary order requested pursuant to section 38;
- a monetary order for damage to the rental unit in the amount of \$2,350 pursuant to section 67;
- authorization to recover the filing fee for this application from the tenant pursuant to section 72.

And the tenant's for:

- a monetary order for \$3,150 representing two times the amount of the security deposit pursuant to sections 38 and 62 of the Act;
- a monetary order for compensation for damage or loss under the Act, regulation or tenancy agreement in the amount of \$6,975 pursuant to section 67;
- authorization to recover the filing fee for this application from the landlord pursuant to section 72.

Both parties attended the hearing and were each given a full opportunity to be heard, to present affirmed testimony, to make submissions, and to call witnesses.

<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, engaged in a conversation, turned their minds to compromise and achieved a resolution of their dispute.

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Both parties agreed to the following final and binding settlement of all issues currently under dispute and any future issue relating to the tenancy:

1. The landlord will pay the tenant \$2,500 by April 20, 2020.

This comprises the full and final settlement of all aspects of this dispute and all future disputes relating to this tenancy between the parties. The parties gave verbal affirmation at the hearing that they understood and agreed to the above terms as legal, final and binding, which settle all aspects of this and all future disputes relating to the tenancy between these two parties.

Conclusion

As the parties have reached a settlement, I make no factual findings about the merits of this application.

To give effect to the settlement reached between the parties, and as discussed at the hearing, I issue the attached monetary order ordering the landlord to pay the tenant \$2,500 by April 20, 2020.

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 20, 2020

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