

## **Dispute Resolution Services**

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# Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

### **DECISION**

<u>Dispute Codes</u> MNDCL-S, FFL

#### <u>Introduction</u>

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

- A monetary order for damages or compensation and authorization to retain a security deposit pursuant to sections 38 and 67; and
- Authorization to recover the filing fee for this application from the tenant pursuant to section 72.

As both parties were in attendance, service of documents was confirmed. The tenant confirmed receipt of the landlord's application for dispute resolution and evidence; the landlord acknowledged receipt of the tenant's evidence, with the exception of a text message that was uploaded the day before this hearing. That piece of evidence was excluded in accordance with Rule 3 of the Residential Tenancy Branch Rules of Procedure.

Neither party stated they had any concerns with timely service of documents and both parties were prepared to deal with the matters of the application.

#### <u>Settlement Reached</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:

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The landlord and tenant agree that the landlord may retain the tenant's security deposit in the amount of \$947.50 in full and final satisfaction of this application.

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

This application is settled in the above terms.

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 14, 2020

Residential Tenancy Branch