

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

<u>Dispute Codes</u> MNDC MNSD FF

Introduction

This hearing was convened as a result of the Landlord's Application for Dispute Resolution. The participatory hearing was held by teleconference on August 17, 2020. The Landlord applied for the following relief, pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the "Act"):

- a monetary order for damage or loss under the Act;
- authorization to retain all or a portion of the Tenant's security deposit in satisfaction of the monetary order requested pursuant to section 38; and,
- to recover the cost of the filing fee.

Both parties attended the hearing and provided testimony. Both parties confirmed receipt of each other's documentary evidence.

I have reviewed all oral and written evidence before me that met the requirements of the Rules of Procedure. However, only the evidence submitted in accordance with the rules of procedure, and evidence that is relevant to the issues and findings in this matter are described in this Decision.

Settlement Agreement

During the hearing, the parties chose to come to their own agreement regarding the issues in this application, rather than have an Arbitrator decide for them. The agreement reached between the parties is outlined below.

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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.

Given the agreement reached between the parties during the proceedings, I find that the parties have settled their dispute and the following records this settlement as a decision:

- The Landlords withdraw their application in full
- The Tenant agrees the Landlords can keep the security deposit (\$900.00) they currently hold.
- This settles all monetary issues resulting from this tenancy for both parties, and both parties confirmed that they will not seek any further monetary amounts.
- These terms comprise the full and final settlement of all aspects of this dispute for both parties.

The parties confirmed at the end of the hearing that this agreement was made on a voluntary basis and that the parties understood the nature of this full and final settlement of this matter.

Conclusion

The Landlord withdrew their application in pursuit of this settlement agreement. The Landlord is entitled to retain the security deposit, in full.

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 17, 2020

Residential Tenancy Branch