

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding COAST WESTERN PROPERTY MANAGEMENT INCORPORATED and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

DECISION

<u>Dispute Codes</u> MNDCT FFT

<u>Introduction</u>

This hearing was convened as a result of the tenant's Application for Dispute Resolution (application) seeking remedy under the *Residential Tenancy Act* (Act). The tenant applied for a monetary order in the amount of \$\$1,683.99 for money owed or compensation for damage or loss under the Act, regulation or tenancy agreement, and to recover the cost of the filing fee.

The tenant and an agent for the landlord, SK (agent) appeared at the teleconference hearing. The hearing process was explained to the parties and the parties were affirmed. The parties were also provided the opportunity to ask questions. Words utilizing the singular shall also include the plural and vice versa where the context requires.

Preliminary and Procedural Matters

The parties were informed at the start of the hearing that recording of the dispute resolution is prohibited under the Residential Tenancy Branch (RTB) Rules of Procedure (Rules) Rule 6.11. The parties were also informed that if any recording devices were being used, they were directed to immediately cease the recording of the hearing. In addition, the parties were informed that if any recording was surreptitiously made and used for any purpose, they will be referred to the RTB Compliance Enforcement Unit for the purpose of an investigation under the Act. Neither party had any questions about my direction pursuant to RTB Rule 6.11.

In addition, the parties confirmed their respective email addresses at the outset of the hearing and stated that they understood that the decision and would be emailed to them.

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Also, the parties were advised that the tenant's application was being refused, pursuant to section 59(5)(c) of the Act because their application for dispute resolution did not provide sufficient particulars of their claim for compensation, as is required by section 59(2)(b) of the Act.

The Monetary Order Worksheet (worksheet) was left blank for all items, with just a total at the bottom. Based on the above, I find that proceeding with the tenant's monetary claim at this hearing would be prejudicial to the landlord to guess at how they arrived at the amount claimed and for what months they are claiming for. In other words, it is not up the arbitrator or respondent to guess at how the applicant arrived at a specific amount being claimed.

The tenant is at liberty to reapply; however, is reminded to completely fill out the entire worksheet before serving it and uploading it. The tenant may include any additional pages to set out the details of their dispute in their application, as required.

I do not grant the filing fee as a result of the above.

Conclusion

The tenant's application has been refused pursuant to sections 59(5)(c) and 59(2)(b) of the Act. The tenant is at liberty to reapply for their monetary claim; however, is encouraged to fully complete the worksheet of any future monetary claim at the time an application is submitted. Failure to do so could result in the application being refused again with leave to reapply not being granted.

This decision will be emailed to both parties as indicated above.

This decision is final and binding on the parties, unless otherwise provided under the Act, and 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: June 4, 2021	
	Residential Tenancy Branch