

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

# **DECISION**

Dispute Codes MNDCT

## Introduction

On April 13, 2020, the Tenant submitted an Application for Dispute Resolution under the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the "Act") requesting a Monetary Order for compensation. The matter was set for a participatory hearing via conference call.

The Landlord and Tenant attended the hearing and provided affirmed testimony. They were provided the opportunity to present their relevant oral, written and documentary evidence and to make submissions at the hearing.

## **Preliminary Matters**

Section 63 of the Act allows an Arbitrator to 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 and include an Order. Accordingly, I assisted the parties to resolve this dispute by helping them negotiate terms for a Settlement Agreement with the input from both parties.

## Settlement Agreement

The Landlord and Tenant confirmed during the hearing that this agreement was made voluntarily and that it was made in full satisfaction of the Tenant's Application.

- 1. The Landlord agrees to compensate the Tenant for rent and the security deposit in the amount of \$710.00.
- 2. The Landlord and the Tenant agree that there will be no further Applications for Dispute Resolution or claims against one another regarding this tenancy.
- 3. This Application is now closed.

This agreement was summarized for the parties on two occasions and all parties in attendance at the hearing indicated that they agreed to resolve this dispute under these terms. The Landlord and the Tenant both acknowledged that they understood they were

not required to enter into this agreement and that they understood the agreement was final and binding.

### Conclusion

The above Settlement Agreement is made in full satisfaction of the Tenant's Application.

As discussed with parties during the hearing, to give effect to the settlement reached between them, I issue the attached Monetary Order for rent compensation and the security deposit, in the amount of \$710.00. The Tenant is provided with this Order in the above terms and the Landlord must be served with this Order in the event that the Landlord fails to pay the Tenant the outstanding amount, as agreed to in the Settlement Agreement. Should the Landlord fail to comply with this Order, this Order may be filed with the Province of British Columbia Small Claims Court and enforced as an Order of that Court.

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

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