

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding Real Property Management Central and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

DECISION

<u>Dispute Codes</u> MNRL, FFL

Introduction

Pursuant to section 58 of the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the *Act*), I was designated to hear an application regarding the above-noted tenancy. The landlord applied for:

- a monetary order for compensation for unpaid rent, pursuant to section 67 of the Act; and
- an authorization to recover the filing fee for this application, pursuant to section
 72 of the Act.

I left the teleconference connection open until 1:40 P.M. to enable the tenant to call into this teleconference hearing scheduled for 1:30 P.M. The tenant did not attend the hearing. The landlord attended the hearing and was given a full opportunity to be heard, to present affirmed testimony, to make submissions and to call witnesses.

At the outset of the hearing the landlord affirmed he is seeking for monetary compensation in the amount of \$47,225.00.

Section 58(2) of the Act states:

(2)Except as provided in subsection (4), if the director accepts an application under subsection (1), the director must resolve the dispute under this Part unless (a)the claim is for an amount that is more than the monetary limit for claims under the Small Claims Act,

Residential Tenancy Branch Policy Guideline 27 states:

Small Claims Limit

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Section 58(2) of the RTA and 51(2) of the MHPTA provide that the director can decline to resolve disputes for monetary claims that exceed the limit set out in the Small Claims Act. The limit is currently \$35,000.

Based on the landlord's testimony, I find this matter exceeds the limit set out in the Small Claims Act.

Conclusion

In accordance with Section 58(2) of the Act, I find I have no jurisdiction to hear this matter.

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: October 16, 2020

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