



FOOTBALL
NSW

GPT NOTICE OF DETERMINATION.

Proceeding under section 9.2 of the
FNSW Grievance and Disciplinary Regulations

Proceeding Details:

Tribunal reference	MGPT 17-57
Date of hearing	6 July 2017
Time of hearing	6.30 PM
Venue of hearing	Football NSW Headquarters
Tribunal Member(s)	Louis FAYD'HERBE
Respondent	Chris WILLIAMS (FFA No. 57404998)
Fixture	Women's National Premier League (WNPL) 1st grade match between Manly United FC and Northern Tigers FC on 4 June 2017 at Cromer Park.

This Notice constitutes the General Purposes Tribunal's Determination resulting from the Tribunal hearing listed above.

Charge(s) and Determination:

Charge(s)	Tribunal determination
1. Chris Williams (the Respondent) failed to abide by or comply with a direction of a Match Official in breach of Section 16.4(d) Schedule 3, Table B, Offence Code 01-01 of the FNSW Grievance and Disciplinary Regulations (Regulations).	1. <u>Plea:</u> Not Guilty. <u>Finding:</u> Guilty <u>Determination:</u> One (1) fixture suspension. <u>Reasons:</u> <i>The Respondent pleaded not guilty to the charge and provided a statement as well as oral evidence explaining the circumstances surrounding the incident.</i> <i>After considering the evidence, the GPT found on the balance of probabilities that there was sufficient evidence to show that the Respondent failed to comply with the direction of the Match Official.</i>
2. The Respondent disputed the decisions of the Match Official or showed dissent in breach of Section 16.4(d), Schedule 3, Table B, Offence Code 02-01 of the Regulations.	2. <u>Plea:</u> Not Guilty <u>Finding:</u> Not Guilty <u>Determination:</u> No Sanction <u>Reasons:</u> <i>The GPT found the evidence presented by the Respondent was sufficient to find the Respondent not guilty of the Charge. In arriving at this decision, the GPT considered the submission</i>

	<p><i>(video and audio evidence) put forward by the Respondent.</i></p> <p><i>The GPT found the Respondent not guilty.</i></p>
<p><u><i>N.B: The Respondent is to serve the suspension as an Official and in accordance with section 15.6 of the Regulations, in particular, sub-sections 15.6(h) and (j) which provide that, on the day of a Fixture, the Participant must not:</i></u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>a. <u>enter the field of play (or court), its surrounds, the technical area, players race, dressing rooms or any other place within a stadium, venue, ground or Centre where players and/or officials are likely to assemble to prepare for a match;</u></i> <i>b. <u>be seated in an area in a stadium, venue, ground or Centre normally reserved for players and/or officials; and</u></i> <i>c. <u>in the case of coach, must not engage or attempt to engage a third party to relay coaching instructions.</u></i> 	
<p>Costs:</p> <p>The Tribunal determined that the costs of the Tribunal, as determined by FNSW, be met by the Respondent.</p>	

Aggrieved parties to a determination of the FNSW General Purposes Tribunal may lodge an appeal to the FNSW Appeals Tribunal in accordance with sections 9.6 and 10.2 of the FNSW Grievance and Disciplinary Regulations. Any appeal must be submitted by completing the online Notice of Appeal form (Prescribed Form 12 – available on the FNSW website or by clicking [here](#)) and lodging the relevant Application Fee (\$750) within 7 working days of this determination being issued.



Louis Fayd'herbe
Member
GENERAL PURPOSE TRIBUNAL
10 July 2017