GPT NOTICE OF DETERMINATION.

Proceeding under section 9.2 of the FNSW Grievance and Disciplinary Regulations



Proceeding Details:

Tribunal reference	MGPT 18-01
Date of hearing	22 February 2018
Time of hearing	6.30 PM
Venue of hearing	Football NSW
Tribunal Member(s)	Louis FAYD'HERBE
Respondent	Matten OLUMEE (FFA No. 75456442)
Fixture	National Premier League 2 Youth (NPL2 Youth) U16 Boys' trial match between Granville Rage and Parramatta FC on 4 February 2018 at Ray Marshall Reserve.

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

Charge and Determination:

 <u>Plea</u>: Not Guilty. <u>Finding</u>: Guilty <u>Determination</u>: <u>Twelve (12) Fixtures</u> <u>Reasons</u>: The GPT found sufficient evidence that the Respondent, after seeking clarification from the Match Official on the issuing of a Red Card to a Player from Parramatta FC, threatened the Match Official by informing him that if the Match Official submitted a Red Card report in relation to a Player from Parramatta FC, the Respondent would submit a report about the Match Official's refereeing of the match. The Respondent admitted to saying those words but not in a threatening manner. It was evident from questioning the Match Official that he felt threatened by the words said by the Respondent as he was concerned that a report on his refereeing would jeopardise his career and his future as a Match Official.

After considering all the evidence, the GPT found on the balance of probabilities that there was sufficient evidence to show that the Respondent threatened the Match Official. **The Participant is suspended for twelve (12) Fixtures for the offence under Charge 1.**

Serving of Suspension:

<u>NB. The Respondent is to serve the suspension as an Official and in accordance with section</u> <u>15.6 of the Regulations, in particular, sub-sections 15.6(h) and (j) which provide that, on the day</u> <u>of a Fixture, the Respondent must not:</u>

- a. <u>enter the field of play (or court), its surrounds, the technical area, players race, dressing</u> <u>rooms or any other place within a stadium, venue, ground or Centre where players</u> <u>and/or officials are likely to assemble to prepare for a match;</u>
- b. <u>be seated in an area in a stadium, venue, ground or Centre normally reserved for players</u> <u>and/or officials; and</u>
- c. <u>in the case of coach, must not engage or attempt to engage a third party to relay</u> <u>coaching instructions</u>

Costs:

The Tribunal determined that the costs of the Tribunal, as determined by FNSW, be met by the Respondent.

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 <u>here</u>) and lodging the relevant Application Fee (\$750) within 7 working days of this determination being issued

Louis Fayd'herbe General Purpose Tribunal 28 February 2018