

ARBITRAL AWARD

(BAT 1999/23)

by the

BASKETBALL ARBITRAL TRIBUNAL (BAT)

Mr. Benny Lo

in the arbitration proceedings between

Mr. Daron Russell

Mr. Andrew S. Bountogianis

Mr. Hüseyin Ulaş Sağ

- Claimant 1-

- Claimant 2-

- Claimant 3-

all represented by Mr. Ergun Benan Arseven, and Mr. Metin Abut, attorneys at law,

vs.

Galatasaray Spor Kulübü Derneği

Ali Sami Yen Spor Kompleksi RAMS Park, Seyrantepe 34485 Sarıyer,
Istanbul, Turkey

- Respondent -

represented by Mr. Mehmet Sayin and Mr. Süleyman Anıl Özgüç, attorneys at law,

AWARD

Upon providing all parties with an opportunity to be heard, having examined his jurisdiction and considered the factual and legal arguments as well as the requests for relief submitted in this case, the Arbitrator decides as follows:

- 1. Galatasaray Spor Kulübü Derneği shall pay Mr. Daron Russell the amount of USD 17,500.00 net together with interest at 5% per annum on any outstanding balance (as may be the case from time to time) thereof from 16 May 2023 until payment in full.**
- 2. Galatasaray Spor Kulübü Derneği shall pay Mr. Daron Russell the further amount of USD 9,344.00 net together with interest at 5% per annum on any outstanding balance (as may be the case from time to time) thereof from 21 June 2023 until payment in full.**
- 3. Galatasaray Spor Kulübü Derneği shall pay Mr. Andrew S. Bountogianis the amount of USD 7,000.00 net together with interest at 5% per annum on any outstanding balance (as may be the case from time to time) thereof from 26 March 2023 until payment in full.**
- 4. The costs of this arbitration until the present Award, which were determined by the President of the BAT to be in the amount of EUR 5,500.00, shall be borne by Galatasaray Spor Kulübü Derneği as to 90% and by Mr. Daron Russell, Mr. Andrew S. Bountogianis and Mr. Hüseyin Ulaş Sağ jointly as to 10%. Accordingly, Galatasaray Spor Kulübü Derneği shall pay EUR 4,950.00 to Mr. Daron Russell, Mr. Andrew S. Bountogianis and Mr. Hüseyin Ulaş Sağ jointly as reimbursement of the costs of arbitration.**
- 5. Galatasaray Spor Kulübü Derneği shall pay Mr. Daron Russell, Mr. Andrew S. Bountogianis and Mr. Hüseyin Ulaş Sağ jointly the further amounts of USD 5,000.00 and EUR 2,000.00 as a contribution towards their legal fees and expenses (including the non-reimbursable handling fee).**
- 6. Any arbitration costs associated with a Request for Reasons (see attached**

Notice) shall be advanced and borne by the requesting party.

- 7. Any other or further-reaching requests for relief are dismissed.**

Geneva, seat of the arbitration, 28 November 2023

Benny Lo
(Arbitrator)

Notice about Request for Reasons

in accordance with Articles 16.2 and 16.3 of the BAT Rules (version of 1 January 2022):

- “16.2 By agreeing to submit their dispute to arbitration under these Rules, the parties agree that, subject to Article 16.3, the Arbitrator shall issue an award without reasons if the sum in dispute does not exceed EUR 50,000.*
- 16.3 In cases falling under Article 16.2, the Arbitrator shall issue an award with reasons (which shall substitute in full for any previously-issued award without reasons) only if*
- a) a party (i) files a request to that effect at any stage from when the Request for Arbitration is filed until no later than ten (10) days after the notification of the award without reasons, and (ii) pays, within the deadline set by the BAT Secretariat, an amount of EUR 3,000 into the bank account indicated in Article 17.1, failing which the request shall be deemed withdrawn; or*
 - b) the BAT President determines in his/her sole discretion, before the award is issued, that it shall be rendered with reasons, taking into account the issues raised by the case as well as the public interest in a sufficient body of publicized awards with reasons.”*

Please note that the time limit for payment of the amount of EUR 3,000.00, in accordance with Article 16.3(a) of the BAT Rules, will be set by the BAT Secretariat upon receipt of the request for reasons, if any.