# Award FINRA Dispute Resolution Services

In the Matter of the Arbitration Between:

Claimant Case Number: 20-01186

**Douglas Scott Wall** 

VS.

Respondent Hearing Site: Dallas, Texas

**UBS** Financial Services Inc.

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Nature of the Dispute: Associated Person vs. Member

## REPRESENTATION OF PARTIES

For Claimant Douglas Scott Wall ("Claimant"): Benjamin Winograd, Esq. and Dochtor Kennedy, Esq., AdvisorLaw, LLC, Westminster, Colorado.

For Respondent UBS Financial Services Inc. ("Respondent"): Omar Perez, Esq., UBS Solutions US LLC, Nashville, Tennessee.

#### **CASE INFORMATION**

Statement of Claim filed on or about: April 13, 2020.

Claimant signed the Submission Agreement: April 10, 2020.

Statement of Answer filed on or about: May 4, 2020.

Respondent signed the Submission Agreement: April 14, 2020.

# **CASE SUMMARY**

In the Statement of Claim, Claimant asserted a claim seeking expungement of customer dispute information from registration records maintained by the Central Registration Depository ("CRD").

In the Statement of Answer, Respondent did not oppose Claimant's expungement request.

## **RELIEF REQUESTED**

In the Statement of Claim, Claimant requested expungement of Occurrence Number 1468186, compensatory damages in the amount of \$1.00, and any and all other relief that the Arbitrator deems just and equitable.

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In the Statement of Answer, Respondent requested denial of Claimant's request for \$1.00 in compensatory damages.

At the hearing, Claimant withdrew the request for \$1.00 in compensatory damages.

## OTHER ISSUES CONSIDERED AND DECIDED

The Arbitrator acknowledges having read the pleadings and other materials filed by the parties.

The Arbitrator conducted a recorded, telephonic hearing on July 27, 2021, so the parties could present oral argument and evidence on Claimant's request for expungement.

Respondent did not participate in the expungement hearing.

The customer related to Occurrence Number 1468186 also did not participate in the expungement hearing.

#### **AWARD**

After considering the pleadings, the testimony and evidence presented at the expungement hearing, and any post-hearing submissions, the Arbitrator has decided in full and final resolution of the issues submitted for determination as follows:

- 1. Claimant's request for expungement of Occurrence Number 1468186 from his registration records maintained by the CRD is denied.
- 2. Any and all claims for relief not specifically addressed herein are denied.

#### **FEES**

Pursuant to the Code of Arbitration Procedure, the following fees are assessed:

#### Filing Fees

FINRA Dispute Resolution Services assessed a filing fee\* for each claim:

Initial Claim Filing Fee

=\$

50.00

#### Member Fees

Member fees are assessed to each member firm that is a party in these proceedings or to the member firm(s) that employed the associated person(s) at the time of the event(s) giving rise to the dispute. Accordingly, as a party, Respondent is assessed the following:

Member Surcharge =\$ 150.00

#### **Postponement Fees**

Postponements granted during these proceedings for which fees were assessed or waived:

<sup>\*</sup>The filing fee is made up of a non-refundable and a refundable portion.

November 16, 2020, postponement requested by Claimant	=\$	50.00
Total Postponement Fees	=\$	50.00

The Arbitrator has assessed \$25.00 of the postponement fees to Claimant.

The Arbitrator has assessed \$25.00 of the postponement fees to Respondent.

## **Hearing Session Fees and Assessments**

The Arbitrator has assessed hearing session fees for each session conducted. A session is any meeting between the parties and the Arbitrator, including a pre-hearing conference with the Arbitrator, which lasts four (4) hours or less. Fees associated with these proceedings are:

One (1) pre-hearing se Pre-Hearing Conference	ssion @ \$50.00/session	1 session	=\$	50.00
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Hearing:	July 27, 2021	1 session		
Total Hearing Session	Fees		=\$	100.00

The Arbitrator has assessed the total hearing session fees to Claimant.

All balances are payable to FINRA Dispute Resolution Services and are due upon receipt.

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# **ARBITRATOR**

Patricia Beaujean Lehtola	_	Sole Public Arbitrator
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I, the undersigned Arbitrator, do hereby affirm that I am the individual described herein and who executed this instrument, which is my award.

# **Arbitrator's Signature**

Patricia Beaujean Lehtola	08/30/2021	
Patricia Beaujean Lehtola	Signature Date	
Sole Public Arbitrator		

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August 30, 2021

Date of Service (For FINRA Dispute Resolution Services use only)