

GRSA RESPONSE TO HISTORICAL CONTRACTOR CLAIMS

In recent months several former Greyhound Racing SA (GRSA) Contractors have made a number of erroneous and emotive comments in the media as part of a broader claim for alleged entitlements arising from their engagement with the business. Those Contractors held themselves out as contractors and were engaged and invoiced GRSA on that basis with ABN's and GST where applicable.

The Contractors charged and were paid on a timely basis and generally at a rate approaching twice the highest Award rate applicable to employees.

GRSA understands employee and contractor law in the context of superannuation is difficult to comprehend. However, GRSA sought expert legal counsel and then late last year voluntarily approached the Australian Tax Office to seek its advice in relation to Contractor payments.

Despite the various conflicting views, GRSA paid its deemed superannuation liability in full prior to 30 June 2019.

Issues of this nature are not uncommon in the broader business community. It is disappointing some of the Contractors have chosen to pursue a public campaign which GRSA considers is highly offensive and defamatory.

GRSA always conducts its business with integrity and does not intend to make further comment on this issue.

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