

N.A.S.D. AWARD

- NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SECURITIES DEALERS, INC.
In the matter of the Arbitration Between

Name of Claimant

Jacqueline Cotsen

NASD Arbitration
No 91-04024

Name of Respondent

Bear, Stearns & Co., Inc.
Steven Artebi

REPRESENTATION

For Claimant: Ann A. Anderson, Esq. - Woodland Hills, California

For Respondents: Michele R. Fron, Esq. - Keesal, Young & Logan - Long Beach, California

CASE INFORMATION

Statement of Claim filed: December 19, 1991

Claimant's Submission Agreement signed: December 16, 1991

Joint Statement of Answer filed by Respondents: February 24, 1992

Submission Agreement signed by Respondent, Steven Artebi on February 19, 1992

HEARING INFORMATION

Hearing Dates / Sessions: November 23, 1993 - One Pre-Hearing Conference Session
April 25, 1994 - Three Sessions
April 26, 1994 - One Session
April 27, 1994 - Two Sessions
April 28, 1994 - Two Sessions
April 29, 1994 - One Session

Hearing Location: Los Angeles, California

CASE SUMMARY

Claimant, Jacqueline Cotsen (Cotsen), alleged that Respondent, Steven Artebi(Artebi), while employed by Respondent, Bear, Stearns & Co., Inc. (Bear, Stearns) made numerous unauthorized and inappropriate trades in Cotsens account. Cotsen also alleged excessive trading, breach of fiduciary duty, fraud, misrepresentation, RICO violations and breach of contract.

Respondents alleged that Cotsen is a very sophisticated investor, who was in complete control of her investments made through Bear, Stearns at all times. It is also alleged that Cotsen is a very sophisticated, knowledgeable investor, who investigated companies on her own accord, and was aware of the status of her account on a daily basis.

RELIEF REQUESTED

Claimant seeks to recover at least \$200,000.00 in trading losses, \$702,500.00 representing the loss in direct investments in Flexible Computer private placements, losses in an amount to be determined from trading directed by Artebi away from Bear, Stearns, commissions, treble damages and attorneys' fees under RICO, interest, costs and punitive damages.

Respondents seek dismissal of the claim in its entirety.

OTHER ISSUES CONSIDERED AND DECIDED

The parties have agreed that the Award in this matter may be executed in counterpart copies or that a handwritten, signed Award may be entered. In either case, the parties have agreed to receive conformed copies of the Award while the original remains on file with the NASD.

AWARD

After considering the pleadings, the testimony and the evidence presented at the hearing, the undersigned arbitrators have decided in full and final resolution of the issues submitted for determination as follows:

1. Each and every claim of Claimant, Jacqueline Cotsen , against Respondent, Bear, Stearns & Co., Inc., is dismissed.
2. Each and every claim of Claimant, Jacqueline Cotsen, against Respondent, Steven Artebi is dismissed.
3. The parties shall each bear their respective costs and fees, including attorneys' fees.

FORUM FEES

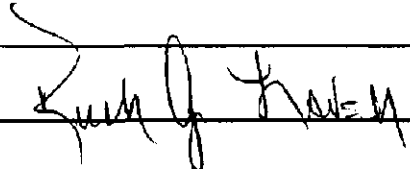
Pursuant to Section 43(c) of the Code of Arbitration Procedure, Claimant, Jacqueline Cotsen, is assessed the sum of \$9,000.00, representing assessment for ten hearing sessions at \$1,000.00 each, less credit for \$1,000.00 previously deposited.

Fees are payable to the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc.

ARBITRATORS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Public / Industry</u>
George Wiener	Public Chairperson
Ruth Lavell	Public Panelist
Ronald Witter	Industry Panelist

Concurring Arbitrators' Signatures



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