

Hunt Given Green Light To Sue Brock Lesnar And UFC

The high-profile case of UFC star Mark Hunt against the [Ultimate Fighting Championship](#) (UFC), Dana White, and [Brock Lesnar](#) has been given green light as his lawsuit survived a motion to dismiss.

Hunt has alleged that the UFC, White, and Lesnar committed fraud, battery, racketeering, and civil conspiracy with regards to the failed drug test of Lesnar at UFC 200. Lesnar beat Hunt by unanimous decision but the victory of Lesnar was overturned. Lesnar was later suspended by both USADA (United States Ant-Doping Agency) and the Nevada Athletic Commission (NAC) fined him.

Hunt is alleging that the UFC, White, and Lesnar knew about the failed test before the bout. The claims of Hunt go further as the UFC star stated that he was financially and physically damaged by what his legal team has alleged was a criminal conspiracy.

The complaint reads Brock Lesnar, Dana White, and the UFC acted in concert as set forth fully above, to defraud Mark Hunt and commit a battery against Hunt by a scheme to knowingly pit Hunt, a clean fighter, against Lesnar, a doping fighter, to the wrongful benefit of defendants and to the detriment of Hunt.

The UFC waived its rule that permits return of fighters must be in the USADA testing program for four months before competing again. Lesnar was only tested starting about one month out of UFC 200. The fighter did cleared multiple USADA tests in June before a June 28 sample that was taken 11 days prior to the July 9 fight came back positive after UFC 200. Lesnar tested positive for [Clomiphene](#) (Clomid), the banned substance in a USADA pre-fight, out-of-competition test and then tested positive for the same substance on fight night. The pre-fight test result did not come back before his fight against Hunt at UFC 200 that allows him to fight and defeat Hunt by unanimous decision.

It was continued in the complaint that White and UFC, on information and belief, were intentionally delaying the announcement because Lesnar was using banned substances and needed additional time in order to circumvent testing procedures. Hunt claimed in interviews to preview UFC 200 that he knew his opponent was “juicing” but didn’t care and would knock him out anyway and the legal team of UFC included that in their motion to dismiss the case. The complaint by Hunt also mentions failed drug tests by Frank Mir and Antonio Silva, two previous Hunt opponents, and a questionable Vitor Belfort drug test before his fight with Jon Jones in 2012. This information was supplied as evidence of the UFC’s questionable handling of past doping situations.

Mark Hunt is claiming compensation for loss of earnings after the defeat, lucrative personal appearances and endorsements that he claims have been lost due to his defeat. The UFC fighter is also claiming treble damages “pursuant to stature,” and punitive damages sufficient to deter illegal doping in the sport of mixed martial arts. Hunt has also asked the court for the defendants to expel their “ill-gotten profits.”