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# POSTGAME QUOTES

// 2018-19 KANSAS MEN'S BASKETBALL

**#11/12 Kansas 63, Texas 73**

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## KANSAS HEAD COACH BILL SELF

*On another poor offensive performance on the road and moving forward after another loss:*

"Yeah, it was about as bad of an offense as you could run again. We actually got a little bit of rhythm in the second half but we didn't get stops when we got rhythm. We had multiple opportunities when down four (points) or whatever, to put real-game pressure on them in the last minute, but just didn't get it done. We tried until the very end. I thought our guys did a really good job of pressing and scrambling late, even putting us in a position (to win the game). We had the ball down four (points) twice and we took probably a bad shot and then had a missed blockout on a free throw. Those were the reasons why we weren't able to get it down to a one-possession game. Give them credit; they were better than us. Certainly, it's disappointing, very disappointing, but we're going through stuff that 99 percent of all other teams in America are going through right now. We just haven't gone through it much here (at Kansas) and we're just going to have to grind and lean on each other and hopefully get at least a little bit better in some situations. But also, we've got the team that we've got. We're not very big and we can't think about what we don't have, because obviously, Doke's (Udoka Azubuike) not coming back and with Silvio (De Sousa) we haven't gotten a sniff of getting an answer there. This is who we are and we've got to just be a little bit better in all areas and we can get them flipped. But right now, obviously, it's a grind. Wins are grinds. And certainly we have had several of those."

*On mixing up the starting lineup with Ochai Agbaji:*

"He wasn't good, he was great. He's becoming obviously, one of our go-to guys, our best players. I thought he played terrific. I thought he played athletic. But he hadn't played a lot (prior to tonight), so to expect him to go out and be your best player in a road game in the Big 12 (Conference) is probably asking a lot. But he was our best player, by far, tonight. Detric's (Lawson) been so good all year long but he couldn't get anything to go tonight. I thought Lagerald (Vick) actually gave us some good energy off the bench and did a couple of nice things, without question. But we are just so inconsistent with our play ... that really (hurts us), we dig ourselves into a hole and it's hard to have the offense to come from behind. You've just got to hope like heck that they don't score and give you a chance to stay within contact. We did that for the most part, but we just didn't close it out."

*On if playing zone is a defensive option moving forward:*

"It could be. Texas is a hard team to (play) zone (against) because they have four guys who can stretch it at all times. But, obviously, (Dylan) Osetkowski was hurting us. They were backing us down and he got assists on double-teams and then he scored when he just backed us down in the post. It was not a good zone by any stretch, but they put four shooters around to just kind of keep us off balance. Even in the zone, we didn't get stops at the end of the clock. If you go back and look, we got three shot clock violations at the end of the clock and they got baskets at the end of the clock. Certainly, the way that basketball is played, is off players, so we've got to be able to do some of those same things. We've got to be able to get a shot each possession and we've got to be able to know where the (shot) clock is at; that's frustrating and disappointing."

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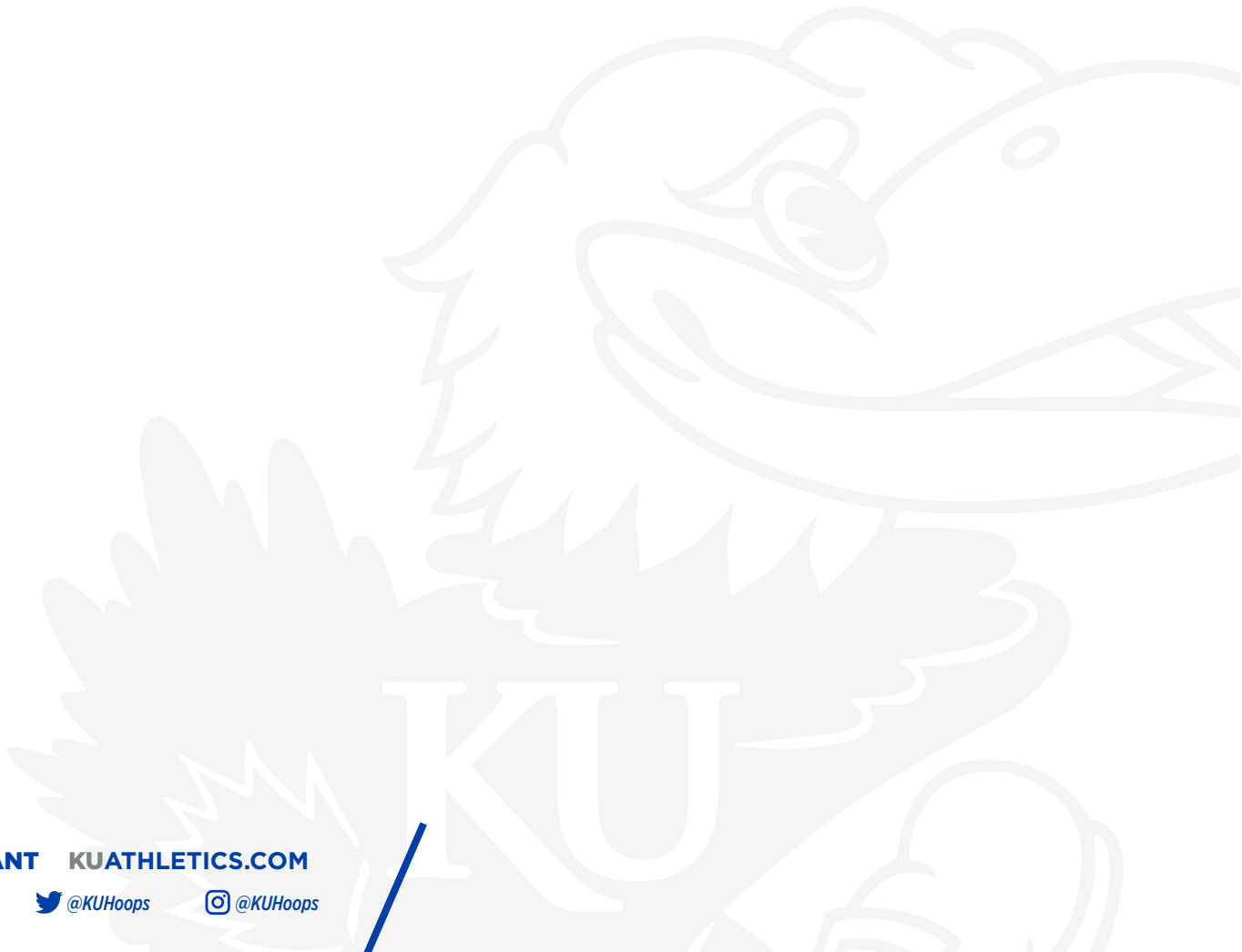
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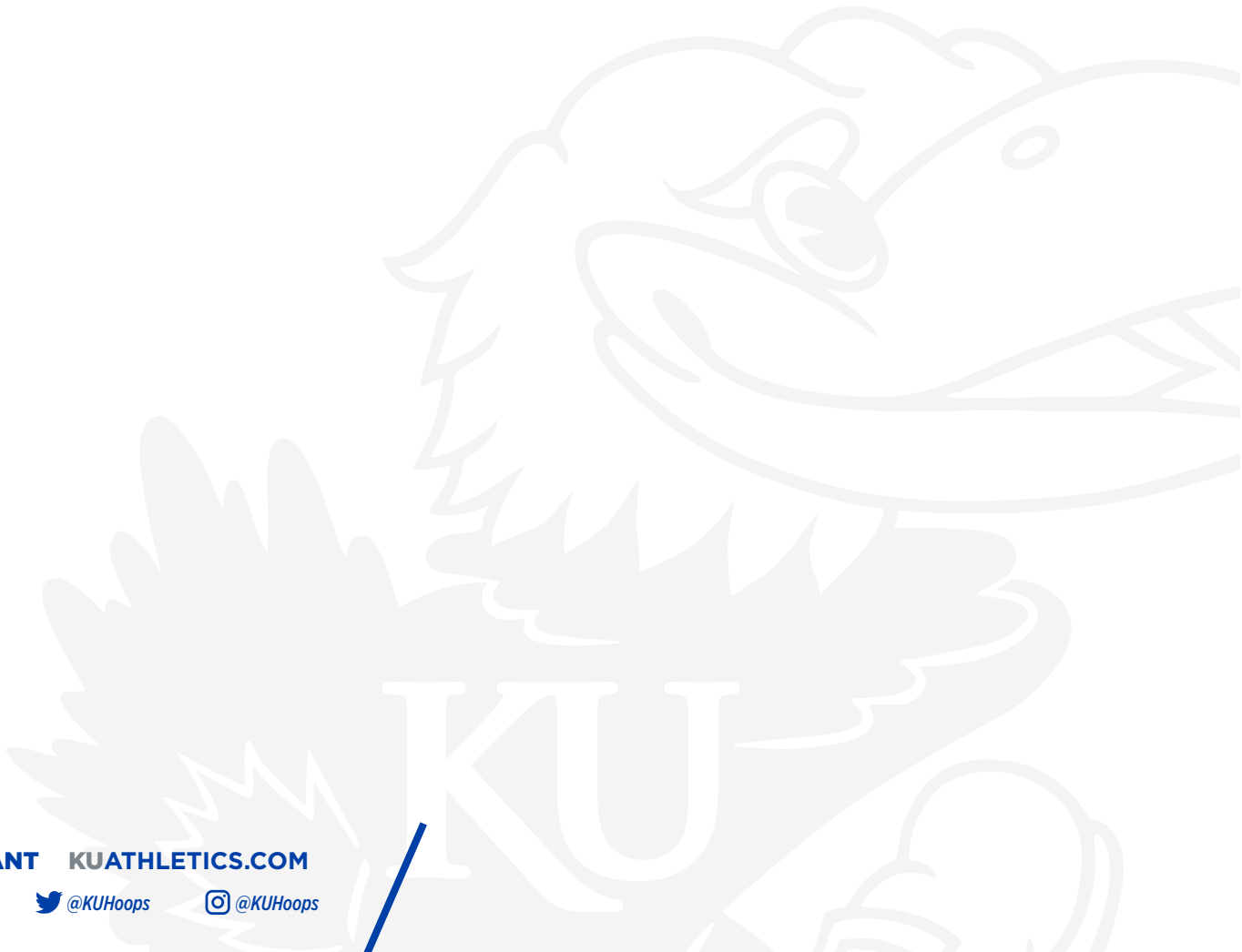
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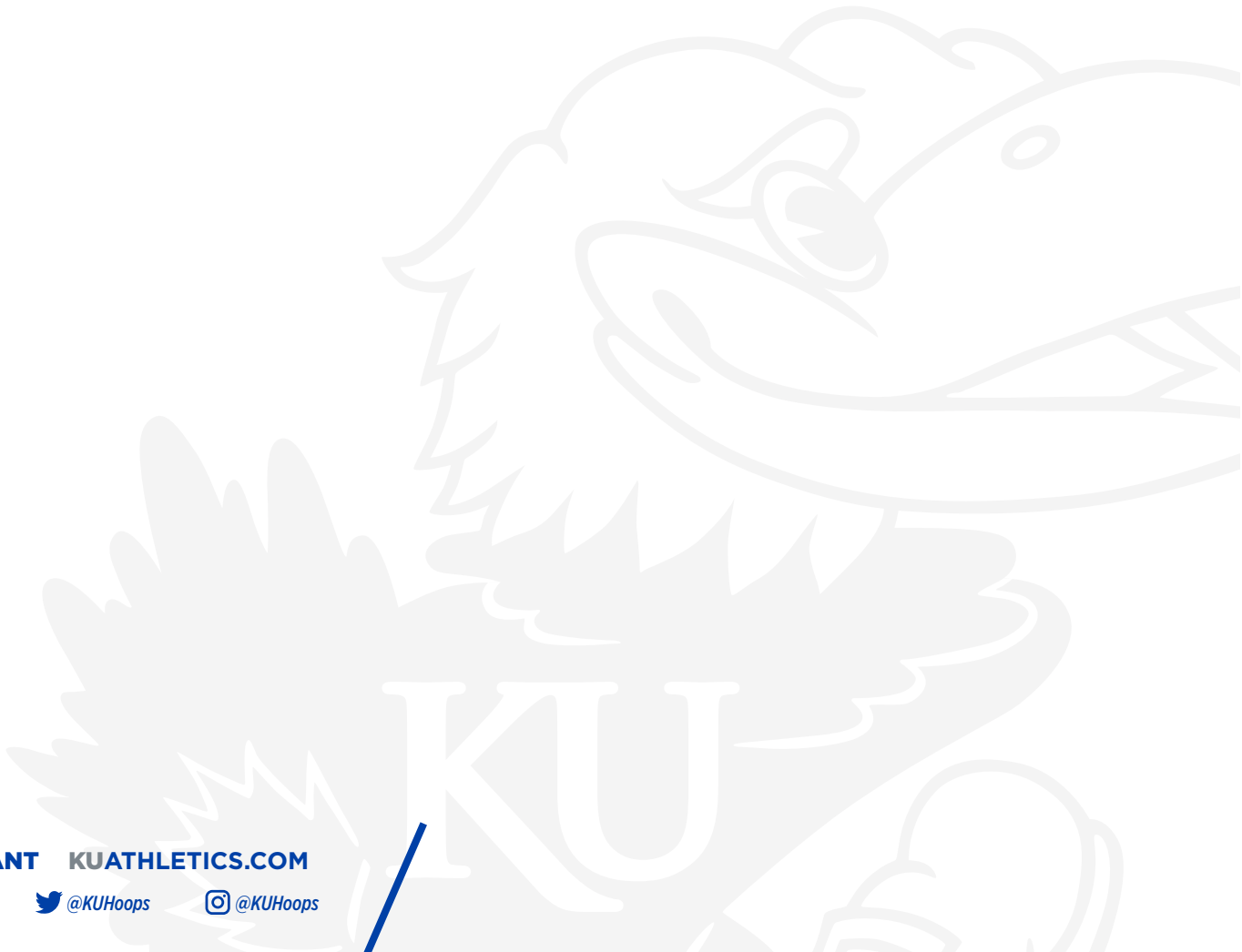
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