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# ARIZONA BOXING & MIXED MARTIAL ARTS COMMISSION Wednesday, August 21, 2024 REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) § 38-431.03(A)(3), the Arizona Boxing & Mixed Martial Arts ("MMA") Commission ("Commission") may vote to go into Executive Session for the purpose of obtaining legal advice from its attorney on any matter listed on the agenda. Any such Executive Session will not be open to the public and may be conducted in a separate meeting.

#### A. Call to Order:

Roll Call

- B. New Business: Review, discussion and possible action on:
  - 1. Pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 5-227, 5-228, and A.A.C. R19-2-C604 (for persons over the age of 36 years old), the **new license application** submitted by **Mr. Eduardo Monrreal** for a **2024 Professional Boxer License**.
- C. Information Reports: Review, discussion and possible action on:
  - **1. Event Reports –** The following events were conditionally approved by the Executive Director from June 20 August 19, 2024:
    - i. Request from **Iron Boy Combat Sports**, **LLC** for approval of a **Boxing** event to be held at the Celebrity Theatre in Phoenix, AZ on Saturday, August 24, 2024.
    - ii. Request from **United Fight League**, **LLC** for approval of an **MMA** event to be held at the Wild Horse Pass Casino in Chandler, AZ on Friday, August 30, 2024.
    - iii. Request from **Thunderbolt Boxing**, **LLC** for approval of a **Boxing** event to be held at the Stratus Event Center in Phoenix, AZ on Friday, September 6, 2024.
    - iv. Request from Yukan, LLC for approval of an MMA event to be held at the Glendale Civic Center in Glendale, AZ on Saturday, September 7, 2024.
    - v. Request from **Top Rank**, **Inc.** for approval of a **Boxing** event to be held at the Desert Diamond Arena in Glendale, AZ on Friday, September 20, 2024.
    - vi. Request from **Top Rank**, **Inc**. for approval of a **Boxing** event to be held at the Footprint Center in Phoenix, AZ on Saturday, December 7, 2024.

Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the general public that Commission members of the Arizona Boxing and MMA Commission may be in attendance at the aforementioned events. As such, a quorum of the Commission may be present. The Commission members will not be discussing business, unless necessary to do so by means of an emergency ringside meeting as authorized by A.R.S. § 5-223.

2. Legislative Changes – Review of the Commission's authority in light of legislative changes (SB1679) set to take effect on September 14, 2024. The Commission may vote to go into Executive Session under A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3) and/or (4) in order to discuss with its attorney(s) on this matter.

- 3. Bare Knuckle Inquiry Bare Knuckle Fighting Championship (BKFC) has expressed interest in promoting events in Arizona. Medical data and Unified Rules presented by the Association of Boxing and Combative Sports Commissions ("ABC") are included in this agenda. The Commission may vote to go into Executive Session under A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3) and/or (4) in order to discuss with its attorney(s) on this matter.
- **4. ABC Convention** Convention took place in Louisville, Kentucky this past July; amendments were made to the Unified Rulesets of MMA and Bare Knuckle, respectively; and Unified Rules were adopted for Muay Thai. ABC's effective date for these changes is November 1, 2024.

#### D. Call to the Public:

Those members of the public wishing to address the Commission must attend via video conference and either utilize the "RAISE HAND" function or message the meeting host directly to be recognized by the Chair. **Time permitting**; each presenter will be given approximately <u>five minutes to speak</u>. Action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter or ask that the matter be placed on a future agenda, pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.01(H).

#### E. Call to the Commission:

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02(K), Commission Members or the Executive Director may introduce a summary of current events, ask questions, and/or make comments. Commission Members or the Executive Director must be recognized by the Chair.

F. Announcements: The next regularly scheduled Commission meeting will be at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, September 18, 2024, and is subject to change based on a quorum.

## G. Adjournment

### Materials

A copy of the agenda and background material and Commission packets (excluding materials exempt from public inspection) will be available at least 24-hours in advance of the meeting, at the Department of Gaming, located at 100 N. 15th Avenue, Suite 202, Phoenix, AZ 85007 and may also be available online <a href="https://gaming.az.gov/boxing">https://gaming.az.gov/boxing</a>.