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Kubrat Pulev

Dear Mr. Foster:

Please be advised that our law firm represents Ms. Jenny Ravalo, a reporter for Vegas Sports Daily.

On March 22, 2019, Ms. Ravalo conducted a pre-fight interview with boxer Kubrat Pulev in preparation for the March 23, 2019 boxing match in Costa Mesa, CA in which Mr. Pulev was a participant. Shortly after the conclusion of the March 23, 2019 boxing match, Ms. Ravalo conducted a post-fight interview of Mr. Pulev. During said interview, Mr. Pulev suddenly grabbed Ms. Ravalo's face and kissed her. Said assault was unwelcomed and unlawful. A video of said unwanted kissing was documented in a video that went viral¹ and can be viewed by the Commission. Following the post-fight interview, Ms. Ravalo walked to a nearby table to put items into her backpack. She alleges that at that time Mr. Pulev, without Ms. Ravalo's consent, suddenly grabbed both of her buttocks and squeezed them, and thereafter Mr. Pulev walked away and laughed, leaving Ms. Ravalo in shock.

Ms. Ravalo was at the March 23, 2019 boxing event as a member of the press covering the match in her professional capacity. Mr. Pulev's disgusting behavior towards her was unlawful and unprofessional.

¹ <https://youtu.be/IED8pbnQIDg>

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Business and Profession code section 18602.1 states:

“Protection of the public shall be the highest priority for the State Athletic Commission in exercising its licensing, regulatory and disciplinary functions. Whenever the protection of the public is inconsistent with other interests sought to be promoted, the protection of the public shall be paramount. “

Furthermore, CCR section 390 states in part:

“Any licensee who violates the laws of the State of California...or the rules of the Athletic Commission...or who conducts himself or herself at any time or place in a manner which is deemed by the Commission to reflect discredit to boxing, may have his or her license revoked, or may be fined, suspended or otherwise disciplined in such manner as the Commission may direct.”


Mr. Pulev’s reprehensible conduct and battery described above violates California law as well as the rules of the Athletic Commission.

We hereby request that the Commission conduct an immediate investigation into the serious allegations herein. It is my understanding that the next Commission hearing is set for May 14, 2019 in Los Angeles. Pending said hearing, we request that Mr. Pulev’s boxing license be suspended. We also respectfully request that the Commission place this issue and Mr. Pulev’s conduct on the agenda of the May 14, 2019 hearing, and that Ms. Ravalo and I be permitted to testify on that issue before the Commission at that hearing.

We would greatly appreciate your attention to this matter and we look forward to your response.

Very truly yours,

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