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To Whom It May Concern:

In 2008, the Association of Boxing Commissions (ABC), selected MixedMartialArts LLC as the Official Record Keeper for the sport of mixed martial arts. As official record keepers, MixedMartialArts LLC is responsible for maintaining the only official database of mixed martial arts events, fighters, and suspension information.

The ABC, a not-for-profit corporation, was formed in the 1980s, as mandated by Federal legislation - The Muhammad Ali Act. This act requires government athletic commissions to work together to share records and above all suspension information, in the support of fighter health and safety. Without this information, a fighter with a suspension can keep fighting by switching states, which can and has historically taken a devastating toll. In 2000, the ABC began the process of regulating mixed martial arts, universally identified as one of the key steps in the success of the sport. Further, the ABC has grown from a US organization, to encompass all of Canada, where MMA is regulated by Federal legislation, as well as beyond North America.

Mixed Martial Arts LLC's database, available at mixedmartialarts.com, is the authoritative resource which all member commissions of the ABC refer to for accurate official records, event information, and suspension information. That information included in the database has been entered by or verified directly by a state, tribal, municipal, or provincial government commission, rather than by for-profit groups, as is the case with other MMA databases. The database is one of the pillars of fighter health and safety in the sport.

To further the sport's efforts for accuracy, consistency, and authenticity, I am hereby formally requesting that Wikipedia allow fighter links from the official record to be placed on the Wiki page for each fighter.

Sincerely,


Mike Mazzulli

President, Association of Boxing Commissions