Request for Redress

Protest No: 01

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1. Event Name: US Sailing Multihull Championship

Protest On: 2023-09-11

Race No: All

2. Hearing Type

☐ Protest	☐ Request to Reopen
Protest by RC	Reopening by PC
Protest by PC	Request for Redress
Protest by TC	☐ Request for Redress by RC

3. Protestor

USA 404 - Peter Murray

4. Protestees

1. Organizational Authority

5. Incident

Time Place:

Rules: 76.1, 62.1, 63.1, 63.6, 64.1, 64.2

Witnesses:

6. Informing Protestee

☐ Hail:

Hail When:

Hail Comment:

□ Red Flag:

Red Flag Comment

☐ Other:

Other Comment:

7. Description Of Incident

This is concerning the Oct 4 Multihull Championship 22 days from now. This is timely because I was very ill and needed time for research and expert counsel. From US Sailing Prescriptions;"Rule 76.1 After rule 76.1 add US Sailing prescribes that an organizing authority or race committee shall not reject or cancel the entry of a boat or exclude a competitor eligible under the notice of race and sailing instructions for an arbitrary or capricious reason. The OA is in error for rejecting my entry because the reason for the denial of my right to compete and the denial of class membership is arbitrary and capricious. There is no rule allowing denial based on personality conflict. The Appeals Jury ruled March 31, 2023 "the protest committee should have applied the full US Prescription to the reason why the class has denied Mr. Murray membership".

The "written reason" from February 2022 wasn't revealed until April 24, 2023, because it's indefensible. No eyewitnesses have come forward over the years to testify in support of the baseless reasons for a lifetime ban. If I've offended someone, I'd like an opportunity to apologize and make amends. If not, RRS 76.1, Bylaws700-704 guarantees me a fair trial where I can question my accusers. US Sailing cannot endorse this as a "Championship" until they've proven that I'm guilty of something that warrants the lifetime ban.

In addition, the NOR 3.3 states "..competitors shall be current members of US Sailing or their Member National Authority for the duration of the event...".I have been a loyal member of US Sailing for many years and I'm glad that they have my back. Member 818509W Inclusion is good for our sport and Hobie Alter would not be approving any unwarranted exclusions.

8. Damage Or Injury

Attachments

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