

DECISION

Request No.: 04

Request for Redress

Event: 2022 Rolex Big Boat Series Race Number: 1
Hearing Schedule: 2022-09-15 18:30

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 04: J/70 - One Design - USA 607 - Orange You Glad - Brian Mullen

Race Committee

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Protest hailed

Red Flag Displayed: Yes

Decision: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

The hearing was conducted under RRS N1.4(b)

Brian Mullen represented 607 Orange you Glad

Becky Ashburn representing the RC

Elias Gonzalez and Mike Turner were on the water and witnessed the incident. Mike Turner testified as to what the judges witnessed.

FACTS FOUND

1. The wind and current were aligned for the start of Race 1 (to windward)
2. 15 knots of breeze was recorded for the J70 start with about 1 knot of current
3. The pin end of the starting line was tied to the bow of the pin boat and the conditions prevented the mushroom anchor from submerging the anchor line, so it was not deployed
4. The anchor line from the pin extended horizontally from the bow of the pin boat
5. 607 was the leeward-most boat at the start of Race 1
6. As 607 passed on the course side of the pin, her keel caught the anchor line and she became ensnared in the anchor line
7. 607 did not complete Race 1
8. 607 sailed Race 2

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: 62.1(a)

1. 607's place in race #1 was made worse through her own fault. Therefore, the requirements for redress in RRS 62.1 are not met.

DECISION

Redress not granted

Date & Time: 2022-09-15 19:11 PDT

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Elias Gonzalez (MEX)

Committee Members: Michael Turner (CAN), Danielle Lawson (USA)