DECISION Request No.: 12

# **Protest**

Event: 2022 Rolex Big Boat Series Race Number:

Hearing Schedule: 2022-09-18 15:10

# **PARTIES AND WITNESSES**

Request No.: 12: J/105 - One Design - USA 400 - Lulu - Steve Hill

J/105 - One Design - USA 357 - Yellowfin - Dick Maclay

### 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**

- 1. The hearing was scheduled for 15:10 and commenced at 15:20 parties were also notified by email and text.
- 2. Steve Hill represented 400
- 3. No representative of 357 attended the hearing, the hearing proceeded in accordance with RRS 63.3(b).
- 4. The hearing was originally heard with a panel of three members in accordance with RRS N1.4.

# **FACTS FOUND**

- 1. 6-10 knots of wind and moderate chop
- 2. 2-3 boatlengths past of the windward mark
- 3. 400 was 1.5 boatlengths to leeward of 357 and bow to bow, both boats sailing downwind on starboard tack
- 4. 400 hoisted her spinnaker, luffed and hailed 357 to come up
- 5. 357 did not respond to the luff
- 6. When the distance between the boats was .5 boatlengths, 400 bore away.
- 7. No penatly turns were taken.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

# **CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY**

Rules: 11

1. 357 to windward failed to keep clear of 400 to leeward, and broke RRS 11.

# **DECISION**

357 DSQ in Race #7

Date & Time: 2022-09-18 15:34 PDT

#### PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Michael Turner (CAN)

Committee Members: Elias Gonzalez (MEX), Danielle Lawson (USA)

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