

**BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO ATHLETIC COMMISSION**

**IN THE MATTER OF:  
AUSTIN M. WOURMS,  
AMATEUR MIXED MARTIAL ARTS  
LICENSE NO. 09702**

**Case Numbers: 15-08-08 & AC16-09-COM**

**Respondent.**

**NOTICE OF SUSPENSION**

**YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED** that Respondent Austin M. Wourm's Amateur Mixed Martial Arts License is hereby suspended effective Wednesday, December 14, 2016, and shall remain suspended until final adjudication, pursuant to the authority granted the New Mexico Athletic Commission (Commission) in the Professional Athletic Competition Act (Act), NMSA 1978, Section 60-2A-1 to -33 and Commission rules. See sections 60-2A-14.A (4) and 15.6.16.8 and 15.6.16.9 NMAC.

This immediate suspension is necessary to protect the public welfare and interests and is based upon allegations that Respondent violated certain provisions of the Act, in connection with the events held in New Mexico titled "Elite Promotions" held on July 18, 2015, in Las Cruces, and "King of the Cage" held on November 26, 2016, in Albuquerque. More specifically, the Respondent tested positive for THC on July 18, 2015, and November 26, 2016, after submitting to random urinalysis tests at the request of the Commission. The Commission alleges this conduct violated Section 60-2A-14.A (4) and 15.6.15.12.A NMAC by continually testing positive for THC.

**NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY GIVEN, SHOULD RESPONDENT LIKE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR A FORMAL HEARING ON THIS MATTER, HE MUST RESPOND WITH A WRITTEN REQUEST FOR A HEARING WITHIN TWENTY (20) DAYS OF RECEIPT OF THIS NOTICE.** The request for hearing must be sent to the

Commission in writing, by certified return receipt mail to the address below. Failure to respond to this Notice of Suspension will result in the Commission taking further disciplinary action, which will be final. Please send your response to:

Laura Romero Halama  
NM Athletic Commission  
P.O. Box 25101  
Santa Fe, NM 87504

The formal hearing, if requested, will be conducted pursuant to Commission rule 15.6.16.11 NMAC. Respondent is specifically advised as follows:

**15.6.16.11 NMAC- RIGHTS OF PERSON ENTITLED TO HEARING.** A Respondent entitled to be heard pursuant to 15.6.16.11 NMAC has the following rights: Respondent may represent himself before the Commission or its duly appointed hearing officer; Respondent also has the right to be represented by counsel and to present all relevant evidence by means of witnesses and books, papers, documents and other evidence; Respondent has the right to examine all opposing witnesses who appear; and upon making written request to the Commission, Respondent has the right to have subpoenas issued for the attendance of witnesses and subpoenas *duces tecum* issued for the production of relevant books, papers, documents and other evidence. The issuance of such subpoenas after the commencement of the hearing rests in the sole discretion of the Commission as outlined in Section 60-2A-15.

DATE: December 16, 2016




Gavin Pantoja  
Commission Chair  
New Mexico Athletic Commission

### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

A true copy of this Notice of Suspension was sent to Respondent by certified mail, return receipt requested, on this 16<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2016.

Austin M. Wourms  
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By:   
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