

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION

MATT LINDLAND,

Plaintiff,

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
WRESTLING ASSOCIATION, INC., and
UNITED STATES OLYMPIC COMMITTEE,

Defendants.

No. 00 C 5151

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ORDER

This matter coming to be heard on the Plaintiff's Emergency Motion to Enjoin USOC to Name Plaintiff to U.S. Olympic Team, on notice to the parties, and upon hearing, on the afternoon of Monday, August 28, 2000, in which the parties were represented by counsel as follows:

1. on behalf of plaintiff, Kevin B. Duff and Marion B. Adler;
2. on behalf of defendant United States Olympic Committee ("USOC"), Irving Levinson;
3. on behalf of defendant USA Wrestling, Michael Morkin; and
4. on behalf of Keith Sieracki, attending by telephone, Jon G. Furlow,

after full argument in which the Court heard oral argument from counsel for each of the four afore-mentioned parties, this Court hereby enters the following order:

The defendant USOC is hereby enjoined to take all steps and prepare all documents necessary to submit the name of Matt Lindland to the International Olympic Committee ("IOC")

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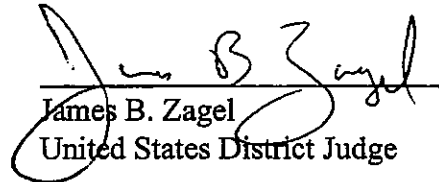
as the entrant on behalf of the United States of America in the 76 kilogram weight class for the United States Greco-Roman Olympic Team for the 2000 Olympic Games. Pursuant to the Bylaws to Rule 49 of the Olympic Charter, section 7, which may require that the USOC obtain the consent of the IOC Executive Board to substitute the name of the plaintiff, Matt Lindland, in place of the name of the Keith Sieracki (whose name was previously submitted for this weight class), the USOC is enjoined to use "all lawful means at its disposal" to "protect the right of" the plaintiff, Matt Lindland, to "participate ... as an athlete representing the United States" in the Olympic Games (*see* USOC Const. Art IX, sec. 1) and is enjoined to faithfully, unconditionally, and wholeheartedly seek such consent from the IOC, without reservation or qualification and take all steps necessary to persuade the IOC to permit such substitution.

As neither the Court nor the plaintiff wishes to see the United States Olympic Team left without a wrestler to compete in the 76 kg weight classification of Greco-Roman wrestling, the Court believes that if the International Olympic Committee ("IOC") will not accept the replacement of Keith Sieracki with the court-ordered selection of Matt Lindland, that the IOC should then accept the selection of Keith Sieracki and permit him to compete.

The USOC must initiate compliance with this injunctive order no later than 3:00 p.m. Central Daylight Time (i.e., 15:00 hr. CDT) by notifying the IOC Executive Board in writing that it seeks the consent of the IOC Executive Board to substitute the name of the plaintiff, Matt Lindland, and withdraw the name of Keith Sieracki as the United States entrant in the 76 kilogram weight class for the United States Greco-Roman Wrestling team, and thereafter shall immediately and unconditionally continue to take all additional and necessary steps and procedures to comply with the injunction set forth in the above paragraph.

The USOC shall promptly and contemporaneously inform counsel for the plaintiff, Matt Lindland, of each and every step or procedure that it is taking to effectuate this injunction, and shall immediately and contemporaneously supply counsel for the plaintiff, Matt Lindland, by facsimile transmission with copies of all written communications or documents prepared in effectuation of this injunction.

Entered:


James B. Zagel
United States District Judge

Date: 29 August 2000