

Georgia Athletic and Entertainment Commission  
 Commission Meeting  
 July 23, 2025

The Commission Meeting for the Georgia Athletic and Entertainment Commission was held on Wednesday, July 23, 2025, at the Sloppy Floyd Government Office Building, 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive; Suite 802- West Tower, Atlanta, GA 30334.

<b>The following Commissioners were present:</b>	<b>Others Present:</b>
Rick Thompson- Chairman Dr. Jeff Traub, MD- Vice Chairman* Bruce Smith Dr. Chris Haraszti, MD Seth Millican	Matt Woodruff- Executive Director Attorney General’s Office [Dowlin Ryals] Attorney General’s Office [Chris Smith] David Oblas Nate Mann Cody Brundage* Lance Spaude*
*by Phone	Jimmy Adams* Amy Adams* Emres Orta* Yoelys Molina* Javonn Davis* Sam Arnold* Billy Blea* Michael Utila* Daniel Fontenot* Preston Haliburton

**Rick Thompson established** that a quorum was present and the Georgia Athletic and Entertainment Commission meeting that was scheduled to begin at 12:30pm and was called to order at 12:36pm.

**Motion to Approve** the 6/26/25 Commission Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Seth Millican makes a motion to approve. Commissioner Bruce Smith seconds, and the Commission votes 4-0 to approve.

**Motion to Approve** the 10/24/25 NFC Fighting event permit. Commissioner Millican makes a motion to approve. Commissioner Smith seconds, and the Commission votes 4-0 to approve.

**Petition for Rule Wavier** by NFC Fighting- Appearance Time. Vice Chairman Jeff Traub makes a motion to approve. Commissioner Millican seconds, and the Commission votes 4-0 to approve.

**Petition for Rule Wavier** by NFC Fighting- Rounds. Vice Chairman Traub makes a motion to approve. Commissioner Millican seconds, and the Commission votes 4-0 to approve.

**Petition for Rule Wavier** by NFC Fighting- Weights. Vice Chairman Traub makes a motion to approve. Commissioner Millican seconds, and the Commission votes 4-0 to approve.

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**Petition for Rule Wavier** by NFC Fighting- Headgear. Vice Chairman Traub makes a motion to approve. Commissioner Millican seconds, and the Commission votes 4-0 to approve.

**Petition for Rule Wavier** by NFC Fighting- Shin Guards. Vice Chairman Traub makes a motion to approve. Commissioner Millican seconds, and the Commission votes 4-0 to approve.

**Petition for Rule Wavier** by NFC Fighting- Gloves. Vice Chairman Traub makes a motion to approve. Commissioner Millican seconds, and the Commission votes 4-0 to approve.

**Petition for Rule Wavier** by NFC Fighting- Main Event Gloves. Vice Chairman Traub makes a motion to approve. Commissioner Millican seconds, and the Commission votes 4-0 to approve.

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**Petition for Rule Wavier** by NFC Fighting- Bare Knuckle Rounds. Vice Chairman Traub makes a motion to approve. Commissioner Millican seconds, and the Commission votes 4-0 to approve.

**Commissioner Chris Haraszti enters the meetings**

**Discussion** with Javonn Davis from the Team Combat League event from June 13, 2025. Following a recap of events from the executive director, referee Nate Mann, and Mr. Davis himself, Commissioner Millican makes a motion to dismiss any actions on Mr. Davis. Chairman Thompson seconds and the commission votes 4-1 to dismiss.

**Discussion** with Ermes Orta from the Team Combat League event from June 13, 2025. Commissioner Millican makes a motion to table until August to allow Mr. Orta's Counsel time to review the case. Commissioner Haraszti seconds, and the Commission votes 4-1 to table.

**Discussion** with Yoelys Molina from the Team Combat League event from June 13, 2025. Following a recap of events from the executive director, referee Nate Mann, and Mr. Molina himself, Commissioner Haraszti makes a motion to table until August to allow Mr. Molina's Counsel time to review the case. Commissioner Millican seconds, and the Commission votes 4-1 to table.

**Appeal of Decision** by Cody Brundage from the UFC Fight Night from June 14, 2025. Following a discussion on ABC vs. GAEC rules and how they are to be applied at events, Commissioner Millican makes a motion to grant approval of the appeal and overturn the bout decision. Vice Chairman Traub seconds, and the Commission votes 5-0.

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**Discussion** on Amateur vs. Advanced Amateur status and how rules are applied. Commissioner Millican ask the Executive Director to draft a proposed policy for fighters with a winning record to be able to compete in advanced rules.

**Discussion** on Rule Waiver approval process. The Commission was informed that rule waivers need to be granted on hardships. The Commission will review waivers under a different scope moving forward.

**Public Comment:**

- David Oblas:
  - o Can a heavyweight fight a super heavyweight in MMA?
  - o Can we extend the weigh in times if the promoter is willing to pay the chief official more money?
- Nate Mann:
  - o Informs the commission on the misunderstanding about his retirement statement and wants to clear that air.
- Billy Blea
  - o Supports any discipline on TCL fighters.

**Attorney General's Report:**

- None.

**Executive Director's Report:**

- None.

**Commission Report:**

- None.

**Executive Session:** Chairman Thompson makes a motion to enter executive session to discuss a Commission related matter. Vice Chairman Traub seconds, and the Commission votes 5-0. The Commission went into executive session at 2:12pm. The discussion was subject to attorney-client privilege.

The Commission returned from executive session at 2:24pm. No votes were taken in executive session.

**Motion to adjourn.** There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 2:25pm.