

# **CHARLES CONWELL VS. WENDY TOUSSAINT OFFICIAL WEIGHTS, QUOTES AND PHOTOS FOR SHOBOX: THE NEW GENERATION TOMORROW LIVE ON SHOWTIME®**

UNCASVILLE, CONN. – October 6, 2020 – Exciting 154-pound prospects Charles Conwell and Wendy Toussaint both made weight a day before their main event showdown set for Wednesday, October 7, live on SHOWTIME (9 p.m. ET/PT) from Mohegan Sun Arena in Uncasville, Conn., in the first ShoBox: The New Generation telecast since March.

A decorated amateur and U.S. representative at the 2016 Olympic Games in Rio, the 22-year-old Conwell (12-0, 9 KOs) hails from Cleveland, Ohio, and will make his second ShoBox appearance when he takes on up-and-coming Toussaint (12-0, 5 KOs) in a 10-round super welterweight contest.

The ShoBox event will open with two eight-round welterweight showdowns as Detroit's Janelson Figueroa Bocachica (15-0, 10 KOs) takes on fellow Puerto Rico native Nicklaus Flaz (9-1, 7 KOs) and hard-hitting Brandun Lee (19-0, 17 KOs) returns to ShoBox in the telecast opener against Jimmy Williams (16-3-2, 5 KOs).

Barry Tompkins will call the action from ringside with boxing historian Steve Farhood and former world champion Raul Marquez serving as expert analysts. The executive producer is Gordon Hall with Richard Gaughan producing and Rick Phillips directing.

The event is promoted by Tony Holden Productions.

## FINAL WEIGHTS

### Super Welterweight 10-Round Bout

Charles Conwell – 154 lbs.

Wendy Toussaint – 153 lbs.

Referee: Johnny Callas (West Hartford, Conn.); Judges: Glenn Feldman (Avon, Conn.), Frank Lombardi (Brookfield, Conn.), Don Trella (Noank, Conn.),

### Welterweight 8-Round Bout

Janelson Figueroa Bocachica – 146 $\frac{1}{2}$  lbs.

Nicklaus Flaz – 146 $\frac{1}{2}$  lbs.

Referee: Johnny Callas (West Hartford, Conn.); Judges: Ken Ezzo (Wilton, Conn.), Don Trella (Conn.), Steve Weisfeld (River Vale, N.J.), ,

### Welterweight 8-Round Bout

Brandun Lee – 144 lbs.

Jimmy Williams – 143 $\frac{3}{4}$  lbs.

Referee: Danny Schiavone (Wethersfield, Conn.); Judges: Ken Ezzo (Wilton, Conn.), Glenn Feldman (Avon, Conn.), Frank Lombardi (Brookfield, Conn.)

## FINAL QUOTES:

Charles Conwell

“Since my last ShoBox appearance three years ago, I’ve matured a lot as a fighter. I’m more comfortable inside the ring and going longer rounds. I’ve developed as an all-around fighter. A lot of challenges have been thrown my way but it’s nothing that I can’t overcome. I’ve been able to adjust, get over it and keep moving up.

“I think I need a couple more fights, a couple more good wins under my belt against some formidable opponents, and looking good doing it, and I’ll be considered a top-10 type of contender. I think I need two more fights.

“I had a fight scheduled in April right before the shutdown, which got cancelled. So, it’s just been constant training for me. Not necessarily going hard in the gym, but just staying active in the gym and staying in shape so when the call comes, you’re prepared for it whenever they give you a date.

“I know that I’m facing an undefeated, 12-0 fighter. He fought in the bubble, I know that. He’s a slim, tall type of guy who has length, and he’s athletic. I’ve just seen one of his fights. He has a little awkwardness and he throws some loopy shots that I need to be aware of.

“With the Patrick Day fight, I’ve just learned to live with it and try to stay positive. Keep positive people and positive energy around me. That’s all I can ever do, stay looking forward and try not to dwell on the past. It’s a very difficult thing for me but you can’t think about it in this sport. You have to continue to be aggressive. My first fight after that tragedy, once somebody punches you in the face it’s not too hard to punch them back – it’s natural. In training, I was a little timid at first but once somebody is in there trying to punch you in the face, it’s easy to be aggressive.

“I’ve always been an aggressive fighter. Being a shorter guy, you fight taller guys and you always have to be more aggressive. As I get in there and work with my coaches, I’ve developed different skills – different punches, different defensive moves, different angles, different tricks on the inside – so I’ve always been aggressive and willing to fight on the inside.”

Wendy Toussaint

“My conditioning is great right now. I’m always in shape and I’m very strong right now. I’m ready because this is a great opportunity for me. It’s difficult to get a fight right now with the Coronavirus so when this fight came, I took it immediately. I fought once in the bubble in Las Vegas already

and I think that's a little bit of an advantage for me. I think I already got one fight with no fans and I'm used to it – so maybe that's a small advantage and the fact that I've been active is good as well.

“I sparred with [Sergiy] Derevyanchenko in camp and that was a great experience. He throws a lot of punches and sparring with him was different than anything I've experienced. It was very difficult, but I gave him a lot of work, a lot of pressure, and I think it will really help me a lot in this fight and going forward in my career.

“Conwell is a great fighter but I'm a very strong fighter as well, so I'm not going to be frustrated by anything he does. I'm going to stay relaxed, box and let everything come together because like I said, this is not my first time getting in the ring. Boxing is about staying relaxed no matter what your opponent brings. You have to be ready for anything. Conwell is a great fighter, all respect to him, but I'm coming to fight.

“Every time I have a fight, I don't watch my opponent a whole lot but I do watch them a little bit. He's a very strong fighter but every fight is different, you can be in top shape for one fight and be a different fighter in your next one. He's a strong fighter, he likes to attack the body, but I don't think I'll have a big problem on my hands.

“Boxing is all mental. Sometimes, when you look at things on paper they are different than when you actually get in the ring and start fighting. I know that Conwell is going to be a strong fighter but is he stronger than the guys I've faced in sparring? I don't know. I have to wait to get in the ring and see what he brings. You never know. But I'm very confident in myself and I'm not intimidated at all.”

Janelson Figueroa Bocachica

“I got a good six weeks of training in for this fight. I've

been in camp with Charles Conwell this entire time. I've been going to Ohio and he's come over to Detroit. I've also been in Tony Harrison's camp for the past two weeks. I've gotten amazing work from both of those guys.

"I'm definitely a big puncher but you've got to know how to set it up. You can't rush it, just trust that the knockout is going to come. I get knockouts with punches that I wasn't even expecting to knock people out but then they don't get back up. Boxing is about timing, it's art. It's not about brute strength. I've knocked people out with a jab, but my right hand seems to put everybody out. The better my opponents are, the better I am. As good as he looks, I know I'm going to be even better.

"When I went pro, I knew that I hurt people in the amateurs with big gloves and headgear, so imagine what I could do with the little ones? But I had to learn how to set my opponents up and pick my shots and get an opening. I couldn't just go straight forward. Sometimes you have to let them come to you. It's all about ring control.

"It won't be a problem fighting without a crowd. I'll still have my fans watching on TV and my coach, which is my dad, will still be there in my corner. I'm comfortable with the situation.

"I beat Brandun Lee in the amateurs but I don't have any relationship with him today. I don't really see much of what he's doing, with him being out in California. I know he's on this card so when I see him at the fight, I want to let him know that I want to fight him after this. I wish him well against his opponent but I know I'm going to do my thing and take care of my business. I upset him in the amateurs, and I hope I can see him in the pros too. If he wants to do it, we can do it. I'm ready for big names. I'm ready for Virgil Ortiz. I'm ready for Keith Thurman. Everybody around me knows that I'm so ready for bigger fights and bigger opponents.

“All I know is that Nicklaus Flaz better be ready because I had a super hard training camp and we’ve been working hard. I want to put on a great show for something that I’ve been training so hard for. I know Puerto Rico is going to be watching this one, and I know all of his fans are going to be mine after this fight.”

Nicklaus Flaz

“I was in the same camp as Jeison Rosario and I sparred with him a couple of times. I’ve been in touch with him since the Charlo fight and he’s doing better now. He’s eager to get back to work but they told him to get some rest. Sparring with Rosario, a world champion, was a great experience. It was really tough but I did my best to manage.

“I’m an aggressive fighter. I like to fight on the inside, come straight forward and do damage. I’m a better fighter than since I was in the World Series of Boxing. My defense and my ring IQ are way better. I used to just go in blindly looking to land punches, now I go in more conscious and with better defense. My punches are much more accurate now.

“I don’t know much about Bocachica. I let my trainer figure him out but what I know is that he’s a really tough fighter, undefeated, and he can punch. I’ve never been down before so I can definitely take a punch.

“This is Puerto Rico vs. Puerto Rico. That’s a great motivation for me. I got to take him out. He says he’s going to knock me out, so I want to see how he plans to do that. We can brawl if he wants. I want to see him try to knock me out. It’s going to be fireworks.

“I’ve worked a lot on my conditioning and pacing myself since my lone defeat. I’m a lot smarter than I was then. Not every fighter is going to be knocked out, so I worked on that and I fixed it. I’m in much better shape and I’m ready to fight 12 rounds if I have to, even though the fight is only scheduled

for eight. I know I'll be throwing a lot of punches until the end. My punch output will be high as always."

Brandun Lee

"I was on the last fight on ShoBox in March, and we didn't have a crowd at that one either. In a way, I feel like I've already been there, done that. I know what to expect without a crowd. Nothing has changed as far as my training. It's been a little tough to find sparring but other than that, boxing-wise, the pandemic hasn't affected me much.

"This will be the biggest guy I've ever fought. He's a natural 147 and 154-pounder, so he is a much bigger fighter. I'm a 140-pounder. I think he'll be the best fighter I've faced too. I feel that way because once upon a time he was a top-15 prospect in the rankings and he's a much bigger, much longer guy than anybody I've faced.

"Hopefully this fight gives me more rounds than I've been able to get in the past. He's only been knocked out once and he's gone 10 rounds before. Hopefully we can get the rounds in because I need it. The only positive that comes from facing guys that you knock out in the first round is building up that confidence. But I feel like I've already built up my confidence so it's time to start bringing in some real fighters and making some noise.

"I learned something from my last fight. Before the fight, I said I have to pick my shots more and be more calm, but in that case, I could have just gone in there and blown the guy away in the first round. I learned that you have to be able to make a quick choice on whether you want to take the guy out later or take him out now. I took him out later because I wanted to go more rounds. I expected the fight to go longer than what it did. We wanted the later rounds and the longer minutes but that was a mistake. If I hurt Jimmy Williams in the first round, I'm definitely going to get him out of there.

"I remember my fight against Bocachica in the amateurs was a hell of a fight. We had the entire arena watching us. It was a close fight. It could have gone either way. We were 15 at the time. I don't really look at it like I need to avenge that loss in the pros. I'm looking at what's ahead of me, not behind me. That was the amateurs but if he steps up to the plate, I'll step up to the plate as well.

"My last fight against Camilo Prieto was a step-up and now Jimmy Williams is an even bigger step-up. After this fight, we need another step-up. Each fight, we need to slowly progress into the top ten. At the end of the day, I'm just a fighter. I will listen to my team and my promoter and whoever they pick for me to fight, I'm definitely going to step up to the plate and do what I do best."

Jimmy Williams

"I'm a local guy and I've fought many times at Mohegan Sun, so it will be weird not having support in the arena but I know they will all be tuning in on SHOWTIME. It is what it is. I'm excited with fans or without fans, it doesn't make a difference.

"I watched a little bit of tape on my opponent. I know he's a young prospect, he had a great amateur career. But this is the pro game. I know he hasn't been tested yet, he's sparred with some of the greatest fighters in the world but he will get tested on Wednesday night. We're going to see what Brandun Lee is made of.

"If you go and watch Brandun's fights, the guys he faced didn't come to fight. They came to lay down, they weren't punching back and Brandun had enough time to set up his punches and he was able to do what he wanted to in the ring. I don't discredit the guys he fought, he's still got talent, but I've been tested. I've been hit hard. I've been in the ring with some great fighters already. This fight will definitely

go past the first round. He better be prepared to put the rounds in with me.

“In 2008, my mom was murdered and it changed my whole life. I opted to leave school that year and enter the NFL draft. A lot of people thought I was crazy because I still had a year of eligibility, but I was projected to get drafted in the fifth to seventh round. It didn’t work out my way but I still got some calls and tried out for a few teams in camp. But my mom’s spirit brought me back to the ring. I had a lot of frustration and anger because it is an unsolved case, and boxing was my bread and butter from the beginning so getting back in the ring was the natural thing to do.

“My mother’s death motivated me to stay on the right path. My father passed away from cancer, and my parents both raised me to be somebody great in life. Her death motivated me. Her death never sat right with me. She didn’t die from a natural cause, somebody strangled her and put her there. That made me go hard in life. I woke up and told myself I would be somebody. I had to make her proud and I’m making her proud now. That anger fuels me in the ring because I feel like I bring her back to life. I know she went out fighting and every time I get in the ring, I fight for her.”

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**AUDIO: Interview with  
undefeated Welterweight  
Janelson Bocachica**

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# King's Promotions signs U.S. Amateur Star Atif Oberlton to a Promotional Deal

Reading, PA (September 29, 2020)—King's Promotions is proud to announce the signing of United States amateur star Atid Oberlton to an exclusive promotional contract.

The 22 year-old Philadelphia was the number-two ranked light heavyweight in the United States and was a favorite to be part of the United States Olympic team, but he decided to turn his attention to the paid ranks.

"I feel like this is the best time to turn professional," said Oberlton. "I did not want to wait for the Olympics, and with all of the politics and stuff, it was just the right time to make this move. I am ready to turn over a new leaf and become world champion."

Oberlton competed in approximately 100 amateur fights where he won many tournaments, including: U.S. National Junior Olympics; Two-time National Golden Gloves champion and Eastern Elite Qualifier. Oberlton placed 2nd at the 2020 United States Olympic Trials.

Oberlton is excited to get going under the King's Promotions banner.

"I feel that King's Promotions is the best fit for me. I know Marshall Kauffman thinks highly, and believes in me. He thinks that I can become a superstar in the sport. I want to be with people who believe in me as much as I do."

“My style is winning. I can do everything in there. I can be slick. If my opponent wants a rough fight, I am down for that as well. I can do whatever it takes to get the job done.”

“This is a huge signing for us,” said Marshall Kauffman, President of King’s Promotions. “Atif is a major talent, and I am thrilled to be able to help develop him into a future world champion. We look forward to getting him started, help him in his journey to become one of the top fighters in the sport.”

“Atif Oberlton is one of the most gifted young light heavyweights I’ve seen in quite some time,” said Lando Rosa, Oberlton’s adviser of Pivott Boxing “He has immense physical tools, and a great work ethic. I have the utmost confidence that we’re looking at a future light heavyweight champion. Pivott Boxing welcomes him with open arms. we believe Coach Shar’ron Baker and her assistant coach Markus Rosa are the perfect combination to take Atif to the top.”

“Atif Oberlton is one of the top prospects in the United States right now. He has a deep amateur background that includes wins and top finishes in major national and international tournaments. He is charismatic, likeable and hard-working. His size, strength, athleticism and boxing style will make him an even more formidable professional than amateur and there is no doubt in my mind he will be a world champion in the future. I’m thrilled he will be representing Kings Promotions and can’t wait for his professional debut,” said King’s Promotions Partner, Dr. Andrew Foy.

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**AUDIO: Interview with Super**

# Middleweight Genc Pllana

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## **VIDEO: Interview with Super Middleweight Genc Pllana**

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## **SHOBOX: THE NEW GENERATION RETURNS WITH EXCITING 154-POUND PROSPECT CHARLES CONWELL FACING FELLOW UNBEATEN WENDY TOUSSAINT ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7**

NEW YORK – September 18, 2020 – ShoBox: The New Generation returns for the first time since March with a four-fight card headlined by exciting, undefeated super welterweight prospects Charles Conwell and Wendy Toussaint in a 10-round main-event bout on Wednesday, October 7 live on SHOWTIME® (9 p.m. ET/PT) from the Mohegan Sun Casino in Uncasville, Conn.

The four-fight telecast will feature eight prospects who boast

a combined record of 109-4-3, including six boxers who have yet to taste defeat at the professional level. The last ShoBox event was held March 13 in Hinckley, Minn., and was one of the final live sporting events to take place before the COVID-19 pandemic shut down the sports world for several months.

A decorated amateur and U.S. representative at the 2016 Olympic Games in Rio, the 22-year-old Conwell (12-0, 9 KOs) hails from Cleveland, Ohio, and will make his second ShoBox appearance – and first in nearly three years – when he takes on up-and-coming Toussaint (12-0, 5 KOs) at 154 pounds.

The co-feature is another bout of unbeatens as Conwell's half-brother Isaiah Steen (14-0, 11 KOs) matches up against Calvin Henderson (12-0-1, 8 KOs) in an eight-round super middleweight bout. The ShoBox event will open with two eight-round welterweight showdowns as Detroit's Janelson Bocachica (15-0, 10 KOs) takes on fellow Puerto Rico native Nicklaus Flaz (9-1, 7 KOs) and hard-hitting Brandun Lee (19-0, 17 KOs) returns to ShoBox in the telecast opener against Jimmy Williams (16-3-2, 5 KOs).

"Charles Conwell is the quintessential ShoBox fighter," said Gordon Hall, executive producer for ShoBox: The New Generation since its inception in 2001. "He had a successful amateur career and he has shown real promise in his pro campaign. Now, he'll face his first undefeated opponent in Haitian-born Wendy Toussaint who should be a tough test. In the co-feature another battle of unbeatens in Steen vs. Henderson and rounded out by promising prospect Janelson Bocachica and rising star Brandun Lee. These are the type of fight cards that make this series unique and important for the development of young fighters on both sides of the bout sheet."

The event is promoted by Tony Holden Productions.

Charles Conwell vs. Wendy Toussaint – 10-round Super Welterweight Main Event

Known for his lightning quick fast hands and power, the rising prospect Conwell is currently ranked No. 9 by the IBF in one of boxing's deepest divisions at 154 pounds led by Jermell Charlo, Jeison Rosario, Tony Harrison, Erickson Lubin, Julian Williams, Terrell Gausha and Jarrett Hurd.

Conwell was 116-14 as an amateur and was the National Golden Gloves Champion in 2015. In his last fight in February, Conwell scored a fifth-round stoppage over Ramses Agaton. He is co-promoted by Tony Holden of Holden Productions and Lou DiBella of DiBella Entertainment. He is managed by Dave McWater at Split-T Management.

Fighting in front of his hometown fans in Cleveland in his ShoBox debut in 2017, Conwell went the six-round distance for the first time in his young career beating a game Roque "Rocky" Zapata with an impressive unanimous decision.

"I am happy to be back on ShoBox, and I am going to put in a good performance and do what I do best," said Conwell. "My opponent is undefeated, and he will come to win, but I think that I am just better overall and all around. I am a very smart boxer with fast hands and power. When people see me, they will see Aaron Pryor, Mike Tyson and Andre Ward rolled up into one! I am happy to be headlining ShoBox and being able to show my talent to the whole world."

Nicknamed "Haitian Fire", Toussaint, 28, was born in Haiti and currently trains in Huntington, New York where eight of his 12 pro fights have taken place. He is promoted by Hall of Fame New York promoter Joe DeGuardia's Star Boxing.

Toussaint fled Haiti for France in 2010 following the devastating earthquake and currently works as a firefighter on Long Island. He is the main sparring partner of No. 1-ranked (WBO) light heavyweight world title contender Joe Smith Jr. Toussaint has won his last five of seven fights by knockout. Fighting on the undercard of the Eleider Alvarez-Joe Smith

card August 22 in Las Vegas, Toussaint won an eight-round decision over Isiah Jones.

“I would like to thank my trainer Frankie Globuschutz, my promoter Joe DeGuardia and Star Boxing for this great opportunity to shine in a ShoBox main event,” Toussaint said. “I am ready to fight. I have always been ready to fight. Nothing changes for me, and I am bringing the Haitian Fire.”

Isaiah Steen vs. Calvin Henderson – 8-round Super Middleweight Co-Feature

Like his half-brother Conwell, the 24-year-old Steen of Cleveland also had a successful amateur career with a record of 85-15. Fighting on the same card as Conwell back in February, Steen needed less than a round to stop Kenneth Council in Hammond, Ind., in his last fight. Steen is co-promoted by Holden and DiBella and managed by McWater.

“This is my first fight on TV so it’s going to be a big one,” said Steen. “This is a big stage to show everybody what I am coming for and I am very excited to be fighting on SHOWTIME. This is a major step-up fight. I am just going to keep to my game plan and keep my distance. It’s amazing to be able to be on a television card with my brother.”

Born in Fort Worth, Texas, Henderson currently resides and trains out of Fayetteville, Ark., where he was a six-time Arkansas state champion in the amateurs. Following high school, Henderson got a full-ride music scholarship to the University of Arkansas as a percussionist graduating with his bachelor’s degree in Music Education in 2012. The 30-year-old Henderson is promoted by Marshall Kauffman’s Kings Promotions.

“I am ready to get back to what I do great,” said Henderson, who is married with four children and a fifth on the way. “My opponent is undefeated, but on October 7th, he will have his hands full. I am excited to finally showcase by skill-set on a national level as the co-main event.”

## Janelson Bocachica vs. Nicklaus Flaz – 8-round Welterweight Bout

A native of Puerto Rico and fighting out of Detroit, Mich., Bocachica is just 21 years old and already has four years of pro experience. He began boxing at age eight, won four consecutive Ringside Championships (2011-14), the National PAL Championships and the 2015 Detroit Golden Gloves. He boasts an amateur record of 55-5. He is trained by his father, Nelson Figueroa. Bocachica is managed by McWater of Split T-Management and promoted by King's Promotions.

"I am fighting another Puerto Rican fighter which will surely produce fireworks and an exciting, all-action fight," Bocachica said. "He is a power puncher and a brawler. He seems to be very confident, and I like fighting guys like that. If he wants a brawl, he will get a brawl, but if he wants to box, I will outbox him. I am versatile like that."

Puerto Rico's Flaz is part of current WBA and IBF 154-pound World Champion Jesion Rosario's camp under the guidance of Sampson Lewkowicz of Sampson Boxing. Flaz has knocked out his last two opponents and competed in two 10-round bouts during his pro career, which has included six wins against fighters who had winning records.

"It's a great opportunity for me to showcase my skills," Flaz said. "I know he's an undefeated guy and a good opponent but I'm going to put some punching power on him. You can expect me to come in and be explosive. It's going to be a great fight."

## Brandun Lee vs. Jimmy Williams – 8-round Welterweight Bout

Just 21 years old, the knockout artist Lee from La Quinta, Calif., has KO'd all but two of his opponents (89.5 percent), including 11 in the first round, four in the second and two in the third. The third-year pro is making his third ShoBox appearance. In March, Lee scored an impressive third-round TKO over 33-year-old challenger Camilo Prieto. This is Lee's third

fight of 2020 as he knocked out Miguel Zamudio in a non-televvised January 17 bout in Sloan, Iowa.

Lee had a decorated amateur career with an estimated record of 196-5. He was the 2015 U.S. Junior National Champion, taking home the gold medal at 145 pounds. With lightning quick hands that pack power, the exciting Lee has sparred with Mikey Garcia, Devin Haney, Mauricio Herrera, Timothy Bradley Jr., Thomas Dulorme, to name a few.

"I am ready to go," said Lee, a full-time college student who is trained by his father Bobby Lee and managed by Cameron Dunkin of D&D Boxing. "I was supposed to fight on September 19th, and now I have an extra three weeks of training, so that will be great for me. My opponent is bigger and has fought at higher weights, and he was ranked in the top-15. This is a step up and it is exactly what I need for my career. I am looking forward to being back on ShoBox and I will come to perform. The audience wants knockouts, and that is what I am here for."

A pro since 2013, Williams is a former college football standout who has yet to fight in 2020. Williams grew up in Plainfield, N.J., before moving to New Haven, Conn., and played wide receiver at Southern Connecticut State University.

Promoted by Jimmy Burchfield of CES Boxing, the 34-year-old Williams has battled adversity as his father passed away from cancer, and his mother was murdered in what is still an unsolved case.

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**AUDIO: Talking with  
undefeated bantamweight  
Jonathan Rodriguez**

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**VIDEO: Interview with  
Undeclared Bantamweight  
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**VIDEO: Travis Kauffman Media  
Conference**