

Homeland Security Stops Paez Jr. At Border

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Jorge Paez Jr. off Saturday's Showtime card

Jorge Paez Jr. (9-0, 7 KOs), the promising junior welterweight prospect with a famous fighting dad, was denied entry into the United States today by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

Paez was one of five fighters from "famous boxing families," according to ESPN, who was supposed to showcase his skills before a large American TV audience Saturday night.

Scott Woodworth, VP of Sycuan Ringside Promotions, Paez's co-promoter, said, "We are sick about this. Everyone involved with this bout and card knows how long and hard we all worked to make this fight. Now, a case of mistaken identity prevents Paez Jr. from entering the United States in time to fight Saturday. But, far be it for Sycuan Ringside Promotions to suggest that the U.S. Department of Homeland Security is not doing its job. It is unfortunate for all concerned, especially Jorge Jr."

The rest of the Showtime broadcast, featuring **Ronald Hearn** (son of Tommy), **James McGirt Jr.** (son of Buddy), **Stephan Pryor** (son of Aaron), and **Chazz Witherspoon** (cousin of Tim), will go on as scheduled at 9 PM/ET.
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