

Liakhovich Hooks Up With Cardinale, Main Events

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Former WBO Heavyweight Champion Siarhei Liakhovich and Main Events CEO Kathy Duva announced today that they have entered into a promotional agreement.

Nicknamed "The White Wolf," Liakhovich has earned a professional record of 25-3, 16 KO's. As an amateur, the current Scottsdale, AZ resident compiled a record of 145-5, was a member of the '96 Olympic team from his home in Belarus and won a bronze medal at the 1997 World Championships. Liakhovich won the WBO Heavyweight Title in 2006 when he scored a 12-round decision over Lamon Brewster in Cleveland, Ohio. In his most recent bout, Liakhovich scored a ninth round KO over Evans Quinn in Germany.

"There is no doubt that Siarhei has what it takes to be competitive in the heavyweight division," Duva said. "There are three heavyweight champions right now and it is our goal to put Siarhei in a position to challenge for one of their titles before the end of the year. We are delighted to be working with a fantastic team that includes Siarhei, his manager Tony Cardinale and trainer Tommy Brooks. "

Tony Cardinale added, "I am happy for Sergei to be with one of the most respected and hardest working promoters in the industry. With their support and his ability it is just a matter of time before he is a two-time world heavyweight champion."

Liakhovich had this to say, "First of all I would like to thank God for everything that has happened in my life: I am thrilled to have a newborn son; and I have a brand new team with well known and respected Tony Cardinale as my advisor and attorney and Main Events as my new promoter. With their history and reputation in boxing business I know I am finally with the right team." Liakhovich added, "I am very impressed with how hard Main Events work for their fighters. I know that they will work hard for me outside the ring and I can do my job in the ring."

Liakhovich spoke about his upcoming fight, "I can't wait to get back in the ring as soon as possible. My last two wins were in Germany and now I am glad to be fighting in US again. Thank you to all my fans for their support over the years, I would love to see all of them in New

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Jersey. This is a great new chapter for me. My first step in becoming a world champion again!"