

### DiBella Entertainment signs former world champion Joachim Alcine

**NEW YORK, NY (July 1, 2011)** – DiBella Entertainment has added former WBA junior middleweight champion Joachim Alcine to its stable of fighters. Alcine, 35, is a Haitian-born Canadian who employs a very technical style of boxing but in a crowd-pleasing way. After an extended layoff, Alcine is ready to return to the ring and prove that he belongs among the junior middleweight elite.

“I’m looking forward to getting back into the ring very soon,” says Alcine. “I’m out to prove to the boxing world, my fans and most importantly myself that I am still one of the best junior middleweights in the world. I know that as long as I take care of my business in the ring, my advisor Greg Leon and promoter Lou DiBella will get me the fights I want and need.”

Alcine joins Zsolt Erdei, Allan Green, J’Leon Love, Luis Rosa, and Delen Parsley Jr. as members of the DBE stable also advised by Greg Leon.

Said Leon, "I feel like I've been saying it every other week lately, but it's always a pleasure to work with DBE. Team Alcine looks forward to achieving great results under his promotional banner."

It was after Alcine moved to Canada at the age of nine when he grew fascinated with the sport of boxing. However, due to having strict parents, it wasn't until the age of 16 that Alcine took up the sport, acquiring an amateur record of 42-6 over the next eight years. Turning pro on May 28, 1999, Alcine dispatched Louis Bouchard at 2:44 of the opening round in Montreal. Word quickly spread about this rising prospect six months later when Alcine took on local amateur star Jason Naugler and won a majority four-round decision in his opponent's hometown of Edmonton. Television caught wind of Alcine and began to air his early fights, recognizing that his style was well suited for such a platform. He also started to gain a following by appearing on the undercards of popular Canadian fighters such as Davey Hilton and Eric Lucas.

## Alcine, Ex Champ, Signs With DiBella

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On May 25, 2002, with a record of 12-0 (8 KOs), Alcine fought the crafty and experienced Marcos Primera at the Lowe's Speedway, in Charlotte, NC, in what was his introduction to an American audience, as the bout was televised by Showtime's popular series, "ShoBox: The New Generation." Not only was it Alcine's United States debut, it was the first time that he fought outside of Canada. After outboxing Primera over 12 rounds, Alcine won a unanimous decision to earn the IBA junior middleweight title.

Over the next four and a half years, and 15 straight wins with 10 knockouts, Alcine would go on to acquire several other minor titles at junior middleweight, including the Canadian title, as well as the WBA Fedelatin, NABA, WBC International, and WBA Fedecentro belts.

Notable victories during this period include blasting out former Canadian junior middleweight and middleweight champion Stephan Ouellet in just 69 seconds, and stopping former IBF junior middleweight title challenger Carlos Bojorquez in seven rounds, and former WBA junior middleweight titlist Carl Daniels in six.

On July 7, 2007, Alcine got his first world title opportunity, making his third US appearance when he traveled to the champion's home state of Connecticut, taking on the undefeated Travis Simms, at Harbour Yard Arena in Bridgeport. Maintaining his role as the aggressor throughout, combined with scoring a knockdown in the ninth frame, earned Alcine a unanimous decision as he picked up the WBA junior middleweight crown. In his first defense, Alcine thoroughly dominated Alfonso Mosquera before dropping him twice in the 12<sup>th</sup> round, on his way to the TKO victory.

It was in his next bout that Alcine lost his title to Daniel Santos via sixth-round knockout in a close fight, on July 11, 2008. However, in 2009, a refreshed Alcine bounced back with two impressive unanimous decision victories over quality foes Eric Mitchell in 10 and Christophe Canclaux in 12. These two wins warranted him a WBC eliminator against the hard punching Alfredo Angulo, but he would stunningly get stopped inside one round, on July 17, 2010.

Alcine, 32-2 (19 KOs), is looking forward to getting back on track under the DiBella Entertainment banner. His next bout is not yet scheduled.

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