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## **MMA RETURNS TO MYSTIC LAKE WITH LFA 29 ON DECEMBER 15 Tickets On Sale Now**

PRIOR LAKE – NOVEMBER 6, 2017 – Legacy Fighting Alliance (LFA) CEO Ed Soares announced today that the LFA will host its final event of the year next month at Mystic Lake with a bantamweight title fight, a high-stakes lightweight showdown, and the return of a surefire women's strawweight prospect.

The main event of LFA 29 will crown a new LFA bantamweight champion when eight-time UFC vet Chico Camus battles blue chip prospect Ricky Simon for the vacant title. LFA 29 - Camus vs. Simon takes place Friday, December 15 in the Mystic Showroom. The entire main card will be televised live and nationwide on AXS TV at 9 pm ET/6 pm PT.

"I'm excited to bring the final LFA event of 2017 to Minnesota," stated Soares. "This will be our fourth show in the state this year. Mystic Lake has been a great partner and we look forward to crowning a new bantamweight champion at LFA 29."

Camus (18-7) returns to the LFA Octagon with one thing on his mind. The "King of Milwaukee" wants his crown. He wants twelve pounds of gold wrapped around his waist in the same weight class where he made his UFC debut in 2012. After competing inside the famed UFC Octagon eight times for over three years, Camus signed with the RFA and won back-to-back main events for the promotion at flyweight. Camus continued his reign of terror as a bantamweight at the start of 2017 by defeating Darrick Minner in the co-main event of LFA 2. After picking up another notable win at bantamweight over Andrew Whitney at the regional level in September, Camus had built a case for an LFA title shot that was impossible to ignore.

Simon (10-1) makes his LFA debut with a sterling resume. The Vancouver, Washington native made a name for himself throughout the Pacific Northwest with a perfect amateur record before winning his first seven professional fights. The 25-year-old's stock and reputation as a can't miss super prospect is currently at an all-time high after he won a fight in front of Dana White in August on the UFC President's new hit reality television show *Dana White's Tuesday Night Contender Series (DWTNCS)*. Simon then signed on with LFA with the intention of establishing himself as the top 135-pound prospect in the sport. He will undoubtedly earn that illustrious status if he is able capture the LFA title by defeating a surging eight-time UFC vet at LFA 29.

The co-main event of LFA 29 will feature the return of Mike "The Marine" Richman (18-7). The U.S. Marine Corps vet will return to the LFA Octagon in his home state of Minnesota a much bigger version of himself. He will be moving up to 155-pounds at LFA 29 for the first time since he competed on twelfth season of the UFC's hit reality television show *The Ultimate Fighter (TUF 12)*, seven and a half years ago. Richman went on to make a name for himself in Bellator where he competed twelve times, which includes three tournaments. He earned six wins via KO inside the Bellator cage, while becoming one of their biggest stars.

Richman will face Jeff "The Administrator" Peterson (8-4), who has made a name for himself in his last two fights by taking out an undefeated prospect and a local fan favorite. Peterson now looks to establish that the Peterson "administration" also includes *administering* losses to established veteran stars in the sport. Peterson is riding a five-fight win streak, but it was his last two wins that have created a stir at the top of the LFA lightweight rankings. Peterson handed undefeated prospect Bobby Lee the first loss of his career in May at LFA 12. He then defeated

local fan favorite Brandon Jenkins in August at LFA 20. Peterson now has his sights set on the biggest name opponent of his career when he tangles with Richman at LFA 29.

The main card of LFA 29 will also feature the return of one of the biggest prospects in women's MMA. That would be none other than Maycee "The Future" Barber. Her nickname says it all. After winning her lone amateur bout in January in just a mere 20 seconds, the 18-year-old strawweight super prospect could not find anyone else willing to face her in the amateur ranks. That prompted her to turn pro and she was immediately signed to a multi-fight contact with LFA, the leading MMA developmental organization in the world.

Barber made her pro debut one month after her 19<sup>th</sup> birthday on the main televised card of LFA 14. She lived up to the hype and then some by defeating fellow top prospect Itzel Esquivel in the first round via armbar. She then made a triumphant homecoming in her home state of Colorado in September with a Unanimous Decision victory over a very promising Mallory Martin at LFA 22. Now the Jackson-Wink MMA product, who has worked with Renner and Ryron Gracie since she was in high school, will look to finish her first year in the sport on a high note at LFA 29.

### **Currently Announced Main Card (Televised on AXS TV at 9 pm ET/6 pm PT):**

Main Event | Bantamweight Title Bout (135 lb)  
Chico Camus (18-7) vs. Ricky Simon (10-1)

Co-Main Event | Lightweight Bout (155 lb)  
Mike Richman (18-7) vs. Jeff Peterson (8-4)

Welterweight Bout (170 lb)  
Ben Neumann (12-5) vs. Jason Witt (11-4)

Light-Heavyweight Bout (205 lb)  
Cameron Olson (8-3) vs. TBD

Lightweight Bout (155 lb)  
Brandon Jenkins (10-5) vs. Carl Wittstock (9-2)

Women's Strawweight Bout (115 lb)  
Maycee Barber (2-0) vs. TBD

Middleweight Bout (185 lb)  
Alton Cunningham (3-0) vs. Dominic Garcia (5-1)

In September 2016, RFA and Legacy FC officials announced that they would be merging to form the premier developmental organization in Mixed Martial Arts (MMA) starting in January 2017. RFA and Legacy FC have launched the careers of over 130 athletes that have reached the pinnacle of MMA by competing in the UFC.

LFA 29 will be the fourth LFA event to take place in the state of Minnesota. RFA and Legacy FC hosted a combined nine events in the Land of 10,000 Lakes before the merger. Six of those events took place under the RFA banner inside the Mystic Showroom. The entire main card of LFA 29 will be televised live and nationwide on AXS TV at 9 pm ET/6 pm PT.

Please visit [LFAfighting.com](http://LFAfighting.com) for bout updates and information.

### **TICKET INFORMATION**

Tickets to see LFA 29 at 5 pm Friday, December 15 in the Mystic Showroom are available

starting at \$35. Contact the Mystic Box Office at 952-496-6563 or visit [mysticlake.com](http://mysticlake.com) for more details.

**Event:** LFA 29  
**Date:** Friday, December 15  
**Time:** 5 pm  
**Place:** Mystic Showroom®  
**Tickets:** Starting at \$35  
**Sale Date:** On Sale Now

#### **ABOUT MYSTIC LAKE CASINO HOTEL**

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#### **About LFA:**

LFA is a professional Mixed Martial Arts promotion that gives rising stars and top contenders the opportunity to prove their talent to fans and leaders in the industry. LFA was formed by the powerhouse merger between RFA and Legacy FC. LFA presents live Mixed Martial Arts events on a monthly basis around the United States including Las Vegas, Los Angeles, Denver, Dallas, and Houston. RFA can be seen live in over 48 million homes nationally through its television deal with AXS TV. Based in Las Vegas, Nevada, RFA is one of the most active and respected MMA organizations in the fastest growing sport in the world. (The Octagon, Ultimate Fighting Championship®, UFC®, and the eight-sided competition mat and cage design are registered trademarks owned exclusively by Zuffa, LLC. All rights reserved).

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