



## Tennessee Rally USA, 14-15 June 2024

### DECISION 1

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**From:** the Steward

**Date:** 12 June 2024

**To:** The Event Registrar & The Crew of Car 720

**Time (decision):** 22:25

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The Steward, having received an inquiry from driver Casen Pendersen of car 720, with amplifying information received from Team Manager Michael Hooper, to substitute the entered co-driver Oliver Smith with KJ Miller has considered and determined the following:

**Time:** The inquiry was received at 8:34 on 12 June 2024

**Session:** The period after the close of Registration (23:59 on 9 June 2024) and prior to the opening of competitor Administrative Check-in (10:00 on 13 June 2024) and publication of the start list (16:30 on 14 June 2024)

**Fact:** Car 720 crewed by Pendersen and Smith was involved in a "car ending off" at SOFR on the weekend prior to Tennessee Rally USA 2024. This incident has left the team mentally and physically unready to safely return to racing together after such a short period of time.

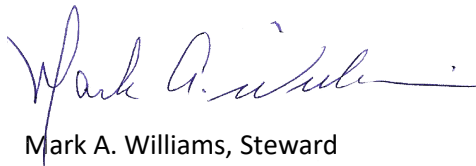
**Rules:** GCR 4.8 governing entries and GCR 6.2.3.I empowering Stewards to authorize a change in crew.

**Decision:** The Event Registrar is authorized to replace the registered co-driver of car no. 720 with the nominated substitute co-driver KJ Miller provided Mr. Miller satisfies all of the licensing and other co-driver requirements.

**Reasons:**

- GCR 4.8 allows an accepted entry to be altered in the event of force majeure and agreement by the organizers. The fact that the team is unprepared to compete together subsequent to their incident at SOFR raises a safety concern which is deemed a valid case of force majeure. The organizers do not object to this co-driver substitution.
- The request was made prior to the publication of the official start list so the authorized change has no effect on any decisions or strategies that other competitors might have made based on the rally entries.

Competitors are reminded that they have the right to appeal certain decisions of the Stewards, in accordance with Article 9 of the ARA General Competition Rules.



Mark A. Williams, Steward