

**BETWEEN**                      **SPORT INTEGRITY COMMISSION**  
  
   **Applicant**

**AND**                              **ANTHONY LEPPER**  
  
   **Respondent**

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**PROVISIONAL SUSPENSION ORDER**  
**28 April 2025**

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**Parties**                      Hayden Tapper, Sport Integrity Commission  
   Adam McDonald & Ben Forbes, counsel for Applicant  
   Anthony Lepper, Respondent  
   Paul David KC, counsel for Respondent

**Chair**                              John Macdonald

**Registrar**                      Luke Macris


**Interested Party**              Martin Dowson, Squash New Zealand

1. Anthony Lepper (Mr Lepper) is a New Zealand squash player and is registered with Squash New Zealand (Squash NZ). Squash NZ has adopted the 2025 Sports Anti-Doping Rules (SADR) promulgated by the Sport Integrity Commission (SIC) as its anti-doping policy.
2. A sample was collected from Mr Lepper on 4 March 2025 following testing at the New Zealand Squash Open in Christchurch. On analysis the sample was found to contain the presence of Benzoylecgonine, the metabolite of Cocaine, which is a non-specified substance prohibited in competition under class S6 – Stimulants on the 2025 Prohibited List.
3. On 11 April 2025, SIC filed an application for the provisional suspension of Mr Lepper alleging breaches of 2025 SADR 2.1 (Presence of a Prohibited Substance or its Metabolites or Markers in an Athlete's Sample) and 2.2 (Use or Attempted Use by an Athlete of a Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method).
4. On 28 April 2025, counsel for Mr Lepper, Mr David KC, confirmed by email that Mr Lepper voluntarily accepts the provisional suspension.
5. Accordingly, the Tribunal Chair is satisfied that there is no need for a provisional suspension hearing and no substantive reason why provisional suspension should not be imposed.

## Orders

6. The Tribunal **orders that** provisional suspension of Mr Lepper will have effect from 28 April 2025, prohibiting his participation of any kind in any event or activity organised, sanctioned or authorised by Squash NZ or any other sporting organisation that is a signatory to the SADR.
7. A copy of this Provisional Suspension Order will be sent to the parties but otherwise will remain confidential until publication of the final decision on the alleged Anti-Doping Rule Violations. All other process steps under the SADR should similarly remain confidential.

Dated: 28 April 2025

  
**John Macdonald**  
Chair