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COURT OF FANTASY BASEBALL –

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Steven Perlmutter	:	Date: May 8, 2007
	:	League Type: Fantasy Baseball
Petitioner,	:	Dispute: Tim Lincecum
	:	Judge: Matthew Cohen
- against -	:	
Fantasy Baseball League	:	Many teams are fighting over whose
	:	claim is the winning bid for new San
Respondent	:	Francisco Giants pitcher Tim Lincecum
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Petitioner **Steven Perlmutter** brings this claim in the COURT OF FANTASY BASEBALL, seeking to resolve the conflict of when Tim Lincecum was added to the MLB roster. This court rules in favor of whoever put the first claim in after the announcement on major league baseball's official website.

The league rules give the player to the first team to submit a pickup request after the player is officially placed on a major league roster. Therefore, it is important for the league to know the exact time he was activated. Many sites differed in time, with MLB.com posting its notice at 6:20pm and rotoworld posting its notice at 7:08pm. Since no precedent exists and mlb.com is the official site of major league baseball the 6:20pm time must be used. This means that whoever the first team to claim Tim Lincecum was, after 6:20pm, now has him on their team.

In order to avoid future problems when other prospects are called up later in the season, it is suggested that the league choose an official website by which to judge transactions. We believe it makes the most sense to use mlb.com, because it is the official site of major league baseball. However, this is for the league to decide. If the league prefers, in the future, another suggested rule for the future would be to start claims at midnight, the day after a prospect is officially called up. This removes any ambiguity where different websites differ.

In conclusion, Tim Lincecum is now the property of whichever team was the first to claim him after the 6:20pm transaction time, as set by mlb.com.