

THE PLAYERS Championship

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TPC Sawgrass

Jordan Spieth

Quick Quotes

Q. We didn't get a chance to ask you, but your version of what happened on the 7th hole yesterday from your point of view?

JORDAN SPIETH: I thought it ended up in a good spot. I only walked over there because I thought he had dropped it, and then he was questioning where he was dropping it. So I was just trying to make sure he didn't play it and everyone was good. I was good with the spot he was choosing. Then I was just listening to the conversation of Rory and Viktor, and Rory had said, I think it's -- we think it crossed up there, could have been back there, so this seems like somewhere in between. But then that sounds like something you probably should verify with a rules official, and then he did, and it was all good.

Q. You said people had said to you the ball had bounced below the red line?

JORDAN SPIETH: Well, the thing is you're not really supposed to use anyone from the outside to say it, but I was hearing from like TV members, so I thought it was -- I told him when we walked off the tee that they had said that, and I said, I couldn't tell because I thought it was going to land so much further that it surprised me where it dropped, so I didn't actually see and it was close. So I thought it was important to say that honestly so that he didn't -- they said it certainly hit above, Rory and Harry. Because of that, I was like, why don't you just make sure in case they caught it. A lot of times you have an overhead, but maybe not on Thursday and Friday.

Q. Did the 18th hole situation play into the 7th hole?

JORDAN SPIETH: I mean, every situation like that is their own. They're not like the same shots by any means.

Look, I think all anybody wants is for you to put the ball where it should go, and in our sport you just get -- especially on a golf course like this or last week, you get some situations where it can be really tricky on knowing for sure. You normally err on the safe side and then you pick where you're virtually certain where it did cross, and I think



that's what Rory chose both times.

Q. Certainly from Rory's point of view --

JORDAN SPIETH: Yeah, I don't know why I got brought over to media, to be honest.

Q. Just to be clear.

JORDAN SPIETH: But I get it's me and Rory, but that kind of conversation probably happened a dozen times yesterday in groups. Again, it was like Viktor was having the conversation, and I only walked over because it seemed like, hey, let's just make sure everything is all right, which I wasn't even planning on getting involved and maybe shouldn't have, but it seemed like they were maybe at a sticking point. So I thought maybe I could help.

Q. There's a report that you were being encouraged to (indiscernible); is that true?

JORDAN SPIETH: We are being encouraged to potentially meet with them at some point, yeah.

Q. Is that going to happen in the future?

JORDAN SPIETH: I'm not sure that I can say much more other than we're being encouraged to potentially meet with them, but at the same time we probably feel like our membership should know timing and what could happen and just in general maybe it's just a meet -- I think there's not a whole lot more I can say about that, but we are being encouraged obviously which I think is probably a good thing that the entire board should if there's going to be any potential for a negotiation.

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