

Jessica Jerome

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BIO

Jessica Jerome, 22, finished in sixth place at the recent World Championship. Jess has been ski jumping since age 7 and competing internationally since she was 14. She has won the US National Championship four times (2002, 2003, 2005 and 2008) and has 13 Continental Cup podium finishes. She is studying economics at Westminster College in Salt Lake City, working part-time and “training six days a week to be ready for 2010 in Vancouver.”

Jessica is one of 15 plaintiffs suing the Vancouver Olympic Organizing Committee in the Supreme Court of British Columbia for women ski jumpers to be included in the 2010 Winter Olympic Games. The court hearing took place in April and the plaintiffs are awaiting the judge's decision. Ski jumping is the only sport in which women are not allowed to compete in the Winter Games.