

RENYEL PINTO REPORT 110109

INTRODUCTION

---

RENYEL PINTO has established himself as the BEST LH SETUP RELIEVER in recent history. He is the BEST in terms of CLUTCH pitching, in terms of facing RH BATTERS, and in terms of CONSISTENCY throughout his CAREER.

RENYEL is a minimum \$1.05 million player, surpassing the \$1.025 million deal PEDRO FELICIANO signed 2/1/08. We will prove this assertion later. For now we will show in a simple, straightforward manner that RENYEL belongs in the \$1 million “ neighborhood”.

JOHN GRABOW jumped from \$341,750 to \$832,500 in his 2/07 deal, a 143% boost. Applying this SAME raise% to RENYEL’s \$404K 2009 earnings yields a 2010 salary of \$980K that is readily justified. We will show that RENYEL has PERFORMED SIGNIFICANTLY BETTER than GRABOW at the 1<sup>st</sup> arbitration stage of their respective careers. RH FERNANDO RODNEY climbed 270% from \$385K to \$1.05 million in early 2007 and extrapolating RENYEL’s \$404K by that 270% one arrives at \$1.09 million

---

RayRubin Sports Analytics has been conducting statistical analysis studies for some of the top agents in the business, including Joe Bick of ProStar ( Kevin Youkilis, Nick Swisher, Aaron Cook); BB Abbott of Jet Sports ( Chipper Jones, Jeff Mathis, Jonathan Broxton); Jonathan Maurer of Millenium Sports ( Jamey Carroll, Brandon Webb); Mark Rodgers of Frontline ( Mike Hampton, Aaron Heilman, Scott Proctor) and many others.

We have enjoyed great success in particular working with RELIEVERS!!! Including

NEAL COTTS of CUBS and MATT GUERRIER of TWINS for Joe Bick, DAN WHEELER of RAYS for Myles Shoda of Diamond Sports, AARON HEILMAN of CUBS for Mark Rodgers, JONATHAN BROXTON of DODGERS for BB Abbott as well as BRAD HENNESSEY, SCOTT PROCTOR and DAVE BORKOWSKI

RayRubin Sports Analytics is a partnership consisting of

\*\*\*\*\*

Marc Rubin, a 30-year veteran statistics professor at Southern New Hampshire University’s Graduate School of Business. His specialty is compensation analysis. Professor Rubin has been licensed as an Athlete Agent in the State of New Hampshire. Rubin employs a mix of sophisticated mathematical techniques such as regression analysis in his work and is also quite creative in inventing “criteria/measures” that highlight his clients’ players’ achievements. Some of that creativity is revealed within this report.

Ray Sequera is a former student of Professor Rubin’s. Ray is a successful international entrepreneur with his Thermocom Infrared Camera Company. He also knows his baseball, having been born and raised in Venezuela, and to this day still playing in an adult league.

PITCHING in the CLUTCH

PITCHER	RISP Opponent BA	"2 OUT" RISP Opponent BA
RENYEL 2009	184 (14/76)	129 (4/31)
RENYEL 2008	208 (11/53)	043 (1/23)
RENYEL 2007	138 ( 8/58)	111 (3/27)
RENYEL 2006	171 ( 6/35)	200 ( 3/15)
-----		
RENYEL CAREER	176 (39/222)	115 (11/96)

\*\*\*\*\*

Note the CONSISTENCY of these numbers across the 4 seasons; then note BELOW that RENYEL's WORST SEASON numbers are BETTER than his PEERS' CAREER NUMBERS!!!

FELICIANO thru 2007	210 (50/238)	200(22/111) (\$1.025m; 2/1/08; 880 vs 1.2)
GRABOW thru 2006	229 (50/218)	220(24/109)(\$832.5K; 2/07; 765 vs 925)
COTTS thru 2006	245 (50/204)	198(19/96) (\$825K; signs 1/07)
SEAY thru 2007	251 (30/119)	235(12/51) (\$780K; signs 1/18/08)
J LOPEZ thru 2007	285 (65/228)	273 (30/110)(\$840K; signs 1/18/08)
BYRDAK thru 2007	301 (50/166)	304 (21/69) (\$712.5K; signs 12/12/07)
RHP BRUNEY 2007	250 (43/172)	219 (16/73) (\$725K;2/5/08;640 vs 845)
RHP CAMPthru2008	300 (111/366)	303 (53/175)(\$750K;2/7/09;700 vs 950)
-----		
RAFAEL PEREZ NOW	249 (51/205)	170 (16/94)

The reader will see more of the same on the next page , an exhibit called,

"PITCHING in the CLUTCH; Part 2". There the focus will be upon % INHERITED RUNNERS ALLOWED TO SCORE.

PITCHERS are naturally reluctant about being replaced with runners on base for they fear those runners will end up being earned runs charged to them; it is a natural instinct to want to "control one's own destiny" and try to escape one's own jam.

However when one is being replaced by RENYEL that pitcher can have the utmost CONFIDENCE that RENYEL will indeed SHUT DOWN the OPPOSITION with NO EARNED RUNS SCORING!!!

## PITCHING in the CLUTCH: PART 2

## CAREER NUMBERS

PITCHER		%INHERITED RUNNERS SCORE	"2 OUTS" % IR SCORE
RENYEL		25.5 (28/110)	2.4( 1/45)** one was 8/30/06 debut
-----			
FELICIANO	2007	27.3 (35/128)	12.3(7/57)
GRABOW	2006	19.0 (25/127)	18.3(11/60)
COTTS	2006	27.2 (41/151)	10.8(7/65)
SEAY	2007	31.1 (28/90)	15.8(6/38)
J LOPEZ	2007	26.1 (52/199)	19.5(16/82)
BYRDAK	2007	39.5 (45/114)	23.5 (8/34)
RHP BRUNEY	2007	27.8 (25/90)	15.6 (7/45)
RHP CAMP	2008	35.1 (73/208)	22.4( 17/76)
-----			
R PEREZ	NOW	26.0 (32/123)	19.1 (9/47)

Note the UPPER RIGHT CORNER....RAFAEL has ESCAPED 31 CONSECUTIVE 2 OUT IR SITUATIONS without ALLOWING an EARNED RUN to SCORE!!! It has been more than 3 years since JUAN ENCARNACION knocked in a run with a base hit against him in his 1<sup>st</sup> such situation....so in these 31 consecutive "escapes" he has stranded 45 INHERITED RUNNERS!!!

The DATES for these 31 ESCAPES are as follows:

2009: 4/30; 5/7; 6/26; 7/4( HOLD); 8/9 ; 9/4(H); 9/17	7 times
2008: 4/5(H); 4/25; 5/31; 6/3(H); 6/14; 7/4(H); 7/20; 7/25; 8/8; 9/22; 9/23	11 times
2007: 4/4(H); 4/9(H); 4/23 (save); 5/15; 6/8; 7/1 (H); 9/15; 9/26(H); 9/27(H)	9 times
2006: 9/13; 9/17; 9/22; 9/27 (H)	4 times

\*\*\*\*\*

31 times

## SUCCESS vs RHBs: POTENTIAL to CLOSE!!!!

When one thinks of relievers evolving to CLOSERS the dominant attribute one looks for is the FAST BALL and the ability to STRIKEOUT batters. Some of the young RH guys that fit the mold would be PAPELBON, JENKS, BROXTON, KROD....and among LHs BILLY WAGNER comes to mind.

RENYEL PINTO certainly qualifies as across his CAREER he has averaged about 1 K per IP ( 192 K/197 IP).

However my research reveals an even more significant criteria SEPARATES the SETUP LH versus the CLOSER and that is HIS ABILITY to RETIRE RH BATTERS!!! LHPs do NOT get to MLB unless they can get out LH Hitters.....it is their work against RHs that distinguishes the STARS.

Once more the exhibit below reveals NOT only RENYEL's SUCCESS vs RHBs but also his CONSISTENCY!!!

		RH BATTERS			
PITCHER		OPPONENT BA	OPPONENT OBP	OPPONENT SLUG	RH ABs
RENYEL	2009	208	327	315	
RENYEL	2008	203	324	266	
RENYEL	2007	227	331	426	
RENYEL	2006	200	345	329	
-----					
RENYEL CAREER		211	330	335	484
FELICIANO	07	255	332	384	440
GRABOW	06	269	359	412	442
COTTS	06	242	354	409	421
SEAY	07	255	326	418	239
J LOPEZ	07	282	364	420	319
BYRDAK	07	332	449	476	229
-----					
R PEREZ	NOW	244	303	381	443
-----					
BEIMEL	NOW	286	366	426	1,240
MAHAY	NOW	257	349	415	1,213
VILLONE	NOW	259	356	427	3,014
THORNTON	NOW	236	324	376	696

PITCHER		OPPONENT BA	OPPONENT OBP	OPPONENT SLUG	RH ABs
OKAJIMA	NOW	223	298	343	382
T MILLER	NOW	295	383	451	931

-----  
 Note RENYEL's RHB OPPONENT BA and SLUG% ALLOWED BETTER than all these guys!!!  
 -----

Let me now illustrate the numbers LH guys produced YEAR PRECEDING being elevated to CLOSER!!

B WAGNER	1995	147	301	327	147
GUARDADO	2001	216	310	351	148
BJ RYAN	2004	252	333	327	214
M GONZALEZ	2005	223	348	357	112
SHERRILL	2007	212	284	303	66

Guys like GUARDADO and SHERRILL do NOT fit the HARD THROWER stereotype but their SUCCESS vs RHBs enabled them to gravitate towards CLOSING.....

CJ WILSON is an example of a HARD THROWER, about 1 K per IP, who was given opportunity to CLOSE BUT had limited success and has since surrendered the role to FRANCISCO. His STRUGGLE CLOSING could have been predicted by his problems with RH HITTERS!!!

CJ WILSON	2007	292	387	448	96
CJ WILSON	2008	275	381	373	142

CONCLUSION here is RENYEL's SKILL vs RHBs distinguishes him from most of his peers and suggests his FUTURE may well be as a PROMINENT CLOSER!!!

Now let me get right into PERFORMANCE/PRODUCTION on the next page.

## CAREER OVERALL PERFORMANCE

PITCHER	IP	ERA	WINS+HOLDS+SAVES=	SUM	TEAM WIN %
RENYEL	214.3	3.70	8 + 48 + 2 =	58	498 (321-327)
FELICIANO	197.0	3.19	10 + 30 + 2 =	42	491 (397-411)
GRABOW	188.3	4.62	8 + 36 + 1 =	45	435 (281-366)
COTTS	193.0	4.51	10 + 31 + 1 =	42	553 (358-290)
SEAY	118.0	3.97	4 + 11 + 1 =	16	458 (445-526)
J LOPEZ	172.7	5.05	9 + 52 + 6 =	67	495 (401-409)
LOPEZ has 259 appearances; many only 1 hitter, LHB and then removed)					
BYRDAK	111.3	5.48	6 + 35 + 3 =	44	469 (445-525)
RH BRUNEY	148.0	5.09	11 + 17 + 12 =	40	492 (319-329)
RH CAMP	270.0	5.10	13 + 35 + 6 =	54	404 (327-483)
R PEREZ	197.3	3.97	9 + 44 + 3 =	56	498( 321-327)

Another measure of RENYEL's improvement is that in 2006-8 he made 151 appearances and 73.5% of them ( 111 of the 151) he ALLOWED NO EARNED RUNS;

in 2009 of his 73 appearances 79.5% ( 58 of the 73) he ALLOWED NO EARNED RUNS.

RENYEL EXCELS in other categories as well; PREVENTING SBs is one example. He has been stolen upon only 5 of 11 attempts in his career (45% rate); both GRABOW and LOPEZ have suffered 54% rates, BYRDAK 60%, RAFAEL PEREZ 66.7% and COTTS 80%.

There are a number of reasons to list TEAM RECORDS. First and I will not belabor the point...RENYEL has achieved this level success with one of the WEAKEST IF DEFENSES in MLB. One need only check [www.mlb.com](http://www.mlb.com) to verify CANTU, UGGLA and even HANLEY RAMIREZ have the WORST RANGES and FIELD% . In his career RENYEL has induced 209 GROUNDBALLS of the 484 BALLS put into PLAY ( 43.2%) so it is important that he be supported by an IF that can reach these GBs, turn DPs, etc.

Another reason to examine TEAM RECORDS is that attaining WINS, HOLDS and SAVES are contingent upon a TEAM HAVING LEADS and WINNING!!! However a RELIEVER on a LOSING TEAM does NOT have as MANY OPPORTUNITIES to come into those situations. Consequently we at RayRubin INVENTED the MAINTAIN statistic. A MAINTAIN is where a reliever enters a TIE or DEFICIT of 3 runs or LESS game, retires at least one batter, and when he exits the game status score is still the same, has been MAINTAINED. This argument was valuable in our work for DAN WHEELER coming off a 1-9, 5+ ERA season. Let me explain why this is significant for RENYEL.

MAINTAINS

8/11/09 RENYEL pitches a scoreless 10<sup>th</sup> in 8-8 tie and MARLINS win in 11<sup>th</sup>, 9-8

7/28/09 RENYEL pitches a scoreless 8<sup>th</sup> in 2-2 tie and MARLINS win in 9<sup>th</sup>, 4-3

6/23/09 RENYEL pitches a scoreless 10<sup>th</sup> in a tie and MARLINS win in 12<sup>th</sup>

5/4/09 RENYEL pitches a scoreless 11<sup>th</sup> in 2-2 tie and MARLINS win in 14<sup>th</sup>, 3-2

4/19/09 RENYEL pitches a scoreless 6<sup>th</sup> to “maintain” 3-2 deficit; MARLINS rally to win 7-4

4/18/09 RENYEL pitches a scoreless 8<sup>th</sup> to “maintain” 6-3 deficit; MARLINS rally to win 9-6 in 11<sup>th</sup>

4/17/09 RENYEL pitches a scoreless 7<sup>th</sup> to “maintain” 2-1 deficit: MARLINS win 3-2 in 10<sup>th</sup>

Those are 7 games where RENYEL received NO CREDIT for a WIN, a SAVE or a HOLD and yet his CONTRIBUTION was meaningful to each of those victories. That’s why MAINTAIN statistic has merit.

Now TEAMS do NOT WIN all MAINTAINED games; nevertheless keeping the game tight and in reach is a significant successful performance.

RENYEL has produced 11 other MAINTAINS besides the 7 cited above thus far in 2009. Their dates are 4/21; 5/6; 5/7; 5/10; 5/13; 7/7; 7/17; 8/5; 8/22; 9/28; 10/4

Adding these 18 MAINTAINS to his 4 WINS and 13 HOLDS yields a sum of 35 successful, meaningful appearances out of his 73 or a 48% ratio....this is very good for a reliever. In fact for his CAREER he produced 21 MAINTAINS in 2008, 9 in 2007 and 12 in 2006 for a TOTAL of 60 MAINTAINS.

Combining his CAREER 8 WINS, 48 HOLDS, 2 SAVES and 60 MAINTAINS one reaches a TOTAL of 118 HUGE CONTRIBUTIONS RENYEL has made to TEAM SUCCESS. This 118 of 224 CAREER appearances equals 53%, an impressive number.

Finally the true measure of RENYEL can be ascertained by examining the specific records of HIS OPPONENTS against him; that is presented next page.

## OPPONENTS HISTORY vs RENYEL PINTO

NY METS 20 for 92, 217 BA, only 2 HRs allowed  
 DELGADO ( 1 for 6; 4Ks); REYES ( 1 for 10); BELTRAN ( 1 for 10); CASTILLO ( 0 for 4)

WASHINGTON 24 for 109, 220 BA, only 2 HRs allowed  
 ZIMMERMAN ( 2 for 12;3Ks); DUNN ( 2 for 13; 5Ks); DUKES ( 0 for 7; 3Ks)

ATLANTA 14 for 81, 173 BA, only 2 HRs allowed  
 C JONES ( 1 for 10); MCCANN ( 2 for 8; 4Ks); MCLOUTH ( 0 for 4)

PHILADELPHIA 19 for 75, 253 BA  
 HOWARD(4 for 16; 8Ks); VICTORINO(2 for 11; 3Ks); ROLLINS (1 for 8); WERTH ( 0 for 2)

---

NL EAST TOTAL 77 hits in 357 ABs= 216 BA allowed

---

CUBS ( 8 for 37; 216); ASTROS ( 5 for 24; 208); BREWERS ( 6 for 29; 207); PIRATES ( 1 for 23, 043);  
 REDS ( 8 for 32; 250); CARDINALS ( 6 for 26; 231)

---

NL CENTRAL TOTAL 34 hits for 171 ABs=199 BA allowed

---

ROCKIES ( 2 for 22; 091); DODGERS ( 12 for 49;245); PADRES ( 6 for 28; 214)  
 GIANTS ( 5 for 20;250); DBACKS ( 9 for 33; 273)

---

NL WEST TOTAL 34 hits for 152 ABs=224 BA allowed

---

NL TOTALS 145 hits for 680 ABs= 213 BA allowed!!!!



RAYRUBIN CONCERN

RENYEL has surrendered significantly HIGHER BAs, OBPs and SLUG% to OPPONENTS when being caught by BAKER; this bears watching in 2010.

CATCHER	PAs	OppBA	OppOBP	OppSLUG
*****				
BAKER	262	232	367	401 ( 18 extra base hits)
OLIVO	276	203	327	313 ( 13 extra base hits)
TREANOR	236	204	352	349 ( 13 extra base hits)

CONCLUSION

RENYEL is the BEST LH SETUP guy in recent MLB history and should be paid accordingly.

CLUTCH, CONSISTENT and EFFECTIVE vs RHBs are the characteristics that distinguish his PERFORMANCE.

I suspect if RENYEL so desired one could negotiate a 2-year deal exceeding the \$2.7 million, 2 –year contract FERNANDO RODNEY signed in early 2007.