

FINES AND SUSPENSIONS BULLETIN

Fri, Dec 22 - Thu, Dec 28

PART ONE

The following action has been taken by the United States Trotting Association. This information is in an abbreviated form.

*** NO RECORDS FOUND ***

PART TWO - MAJOR PENALTIES

The following actions published herein and imposed pursuant to the rules and regulations of the racing commissions of the various states and provinces are given full faith and credit and strictly enforced by the United States Trotting Association consistent with the provisions of USTA Rule 22, Sections 7 and 8 relative to RECIPROCITY OF PENALTIES. The fact that there is no separate action taken by the USTA in the form of a "ruling of reciprocity" shall not be construed as a failure to recognize and/or reciprocate with these published penalties. Please note that the following action is in an abbreviated form and that the USTA is not responsible for the accuracy or timeliness of reported penalties. Further information may be available by contacting the racing commission where the ruling was issued to determine the accuracy of the information.

BREWER, RHONDA
KHRC on 12/15/2023

SPRINGBORO, OH
FULL - 5 DAYS, 12/27/2023 THRU 12/31/2023

YOB 1987

OTHER

810 Kar 3:001 Sec.15 (1)(d)---Rhonda Brewer is hereby suspended in reciprocity to her suspension by the Ohio Horse Racing Commission through and including 12/31/2023. Furthermore, she shall remain ineligible for KHRC licensing through and including 12/14/2025 as indicated on the Ohio Horse Racing Commission Ruling. Any future applications for a license with the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission will be submitted to the KHRC Licensing Review Committee.

BURKE, RONALD J
M on 9/11/2021

CANONSBURG, PA
FINED: \$500
FULL - 15 DAYS, 1/4/2024 THRU 1/18/2024
HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE
REDISTRIBUTION

YOB 1969

POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE

Ron Burke was the programmed trainer of the horse DE LOS CIELOS DEO when he raced in the 2nd race at the the Meadowlands Racetrack on September 11, 2021. Following this race DE LOS CIELOS DEO, was required to submit a post-race blood sample for analysis. A report from Industrial Laboratories, identified the presence of Hydroxylidocaine. At Mr. Burkes` request, a split sample was analyzed at an approved laboratory and did confirm the presence of Hydroxylidocaine. A hearing was conducted on January 20, 2022 and the Board of Judges have determined that Ron Burke is in violation of various rules and regulations of the New Jersey Racing Commission and as a result, Mr. Burke is hereby issued a full suspension of his New Jersey Racing Commission license for a period of fifteen (15) days, and is also fined the sum of five hundred (\$500.00) dollars. Said suspension shall begin on February 28, 2022 and run through March 14, 2022 inclusive. During the period of suspension, Mr. Burke is denied acc

Status as of 12/27/2023 - Subsequent Ruling - By Ruling No. 22MDH7, dated January 26, 2022, trainer Ronald J. Burke was issued a 15 day suspension, \$500.00 fine, disqualification of the horse "De Los Cielos Deo," and loss of purse for violation of

N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1(a)(b), N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.6(a)(b)(c)(d) and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.7(a)(b)(c)(d) in connection with a post-race positive test result revealing the presence of Hydroxylidocaine in the horse "De Los Cielos Deo" after the 2nd race on September 11, 2021. Mr. Burke appealed the decision of the Board of Judges and requested a stay of the penalties. By Ruling No. 22TRH15, dated February 11, 2022, a stay was granted and the matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law ("OAL") as a contested case. On September 14, 2023, Administrative Law Judge Margaret M. Monaco ("ALJ") issued an initial decision, which affirmed the determination of the Board of Judges regarding the rules violated and the penalties imposed. At its November 15, 2023 meeting, the New Jersey Racing Commission determined to adopt the initial decision. Having adopted the initial decision, the penalties issued in Ruling No. 22MDH7 are reinstated. Ronald J. Burke is hereby suspended from January 4, 2024 through and including January 18, 2024. Payment of the fine is due on or before January 18, 2024. The Horsemen's Bookkeeper is hereby ordered to redistribute the purse monies from the 2nd race on September 11, 2021 at the Meadowlands Racetrack accordingly. During the period of suspension, Ronald J. Burke is denied access to all grounds that are under the jurisdiction of the New Jersey Racing Commission for any and all purposes. Related rulings: 22MDH7, dated January 26, 2022 and 22TRH15, dated February 11, 2022

CULLIPHER, JEFFREY W
M on 6/5/2020

MIDDLETOWN, IN

YOB 1971

FINED: \$500
FULL - 15 DAYS, 1/19/2024 THRU 2/2/2024
HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE
REDISTRIBUTION

POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE

Jeffrey Cullipher was the programmed trainer of the horse RESITA when he raced in the 7th race at the Meadowlands Racetrack on June 5, 2020. Following this race, RESITA was required to submit blood samples for analysis. A report from ALS Global - Truesdail Laboratories identified the presence of Phenylbutazone above the allowable limits. This is in direct violation of N.J.R.C. 13:71-23.8(f). As a result, Mr. Cullipher issued a full suspension of his New Jersey Racing Commission license for a period of fifteen (15) days and fined the sum of five hundred (\$500.00) dollars. Said suspension shall begin on August 3, 2020 and run through August 17, 2020 inclusive. During the period of suspension, Mr. Cullipher is denied all access to all grounds that are under the jurisdiction of the New Jersey Racing Commission for any and all purposes. Consistent with N.J.A.C.13:71-23.7, the horse RESITA is hereby disqualified from sharing in the purse from the 7th race on Friday, June 5, 2020.

Status as of 12/27/2023 - Subsequent Ruling - The New Jersey Racing Commission is in receipt of a notice of appeal and request for a stay from Joseph A. Deer, Esq. on behalf of his client Jeffrey Cullipher in connection with the 15-day suspension, \$500 fine, disqualification of the horse, loss of purse and 1/2 Multiple Medication Violation ("MMV") point imposed by the Board of Judges at the Meadowlands Racetrack for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1(a)(b)(14); N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.6(a)(b)(c)(d); N.J.A.C.

13:71-23.7(a)(b)(c)(d); and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.8(f)1 and (g)1 in connection with the post-race positive test for phenylbutazone, which exceeded the allowable limits in the horse "RESITA" following the 7th race on June 5, 2020. On January 26, 2022, the New Jersey Racing Commission determined to adopt the initial decision, dated November 19, 2021, of Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") William Courtney. The ALJ found that Mr. Cullipher violated N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1(a)(b)(14) and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.6(a)(b)(c)(d) and that the penalties imposed, including those pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.7(a)(b)(c)(d) and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.8(f)1 and (g)1 were appropriate. As a result, the ALJ imposed a 15-day suspension, \$500 fine, disqualification of the horse, loss of purse and 1/2 MMV point. By Ruling No. 22TRH8, dated February 10, 2022, the NJRC reinstated the penalties and fines imposed by the Board of Judges in Ruling No. 20MDH37, dated July 21, 2020. The trainer appealed. By Ruling No. 22TRH25, dated February 22, 2022, the Executive Director granted a stay of the penalties pending a final determination by the New Jersey Superior Court, Appellate Division. On September 1, 2023, the Appellate Division issued a decision affirming the New Jersey Racing Commission's adoption of the initial decision. As a result, the New Jersey Racing Commission hereby suspends Jeffrey Cullipher for 15 days and imposes a \$500 fine and 1/2 MMV point. Said suspension shall be served from January 19, 2024 through and including February 2, 2024. Th

M on 6/12/2020

FINED: \$500

FULL - 15 DAYS, 1/4/2024 THRU 1/18/2024

HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE

REDISTRIBUTION

POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE

Trainer Jeffrey Cullipher was the programmed trainer of the horse SOUTHWIND CHROME when he raced in the 9th race at the Meadowlands on Friday, June 12, 2020. Following this race, SOUTHWIND CHROME was required to submit blood samples for analysis. A report from ALS Global - Truesdail Laboratories identified the presence of Phenylbutazone above the allowable limits. This is in direct violation of N.J.R.C. 13:71-23.8(f). Mr. Cullipher is issued a full suspension of his New Jersey Racing Commission license for a period of fifteen (15) days and fined the sum of five hundred (\$500.00) dollars. Said suspension shall begin on August 18, 2020 through September 1, 2020 inclusive. During the period of suspension, Mr. Cullipher is denied all access to all grounds that are under the jurisdiction of the NJRC for any and all purposes. Consistent with N.J.A.C.13:71-23.7, the horse SOUTHWIND CHROME is hereby disqualified from sharing in the purse from the 9th race on Friday, June 12, 2020.

Status as of 12/27/2023 - Subsequent Ruling - The New Jersey Racing Commission is in receipt of a notice of appeal and request for a stay from Joseph A. Deer, Esq. on behalf of his client Jeffrey Cullipher in connection with the 15-day suspension, \$500 fine, disqualification of the horse, loss of purse and 1/2 Multiple Medication Violation ("MMV") point imposed by the Board of Judges at the Meadowlands Racetrack for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1(a)(b)(14); N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.6(a)(b)(c)(d); N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.7(a)(b)(c)(d); and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.8(f)1 and (g)1 in connection with the

post-race positive test for phenylbutazone, which exceeded the allowable limits in the horse "SOUTHWIND CHROME" following the 9th race on June 12, 2020. On January 26, 2022, the New Jersey Racing Commission determined to adopt the initial decision, dated November 19, 2021, of Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") William Courtney. The ALJ found that Mr. Cullipher violated N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1(a)(b)(14) and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.6(a)(b)(c)(d) and that the penalties imposed, including those pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.7(a)(b)(c)(d) and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.8(f)1 and (g)1 were appropriate. As a result, the ALJ imposed a 15-day suspension, \$500 fine, disqualification of the horse, loss of purse and 1/2 MMV point. By Ruling No. 22TRH7, dated February 10, 2022, the NJRC reinstated the penalties and fines imposed by the Board of Judges in Ruling No. 20MDH43, dated August 5, 2020. The trainer appealed. By Ruling No. 22TRH26, dated February 22, 2022, the Executive Director granted a stay of the penalties pending a final determination by the New Jersey Superior Court, Appellate Division. On September 1, 2023, the Appellate Division issued a decision affirming the New Jersey Racing Commission's adoption of the initial decision. As a result, the New Jersey Racing Commission hereby suspends Jeffrey Cullipher for 15 days and imposes a \$500 fine and 1/2 MMV point. Said suspension shall be served from January 4, 2024 through and including January 1

DRENNAN, NIK R
Fhld on 1/13/2023

ALLENTOWN, NJ
FINED: \$500
FULL - 15 DAYS, 1/5/2024 THRU 1/19/2024

YOB 1982

POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE

As a result of the administrative hearing conducted on June 8, 2023 the Board of Judges has determined that: New Jersey Racing Commission ("NJRC") licensee, Nik Drennan was the programmed trainer of the horse "Sweet Soul David" when it competed in the 9th race at Freehold Raceway on Friday, January 13, 2023; The horse "Sweet Soul David" finished 1st in the 9th race on January 13, 2023; Following its performance in the 9th race at Freehold Raceway on January 13, 2023 the horse "Sweet Soul David" was selected to submit blood and urine samples for analysis; The blood sample collected from the horse "Sweet Soul David" on January 13, 2023 identified the presence of the substance Dexamethasone above the allowable threshold; The presence of Dexamethasone above the allowable limits in the horse "Sweet Soul David" on January 13, 2023 is in direct violation of NJRC rule N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1; Mr. Drennan, per N.J.A.C 13:71-23.4(d), requested a split sample of the post-race blood sample collected on "Sweet Soul David" from the 9th race on January 13, 2023 be sent to Texas A&M Veterinary Medical Laboratory. The lab at Texas A&M Veterinary Medical Laboratory confirmed the presence of Dexamethasone in the sample above the allowable threshold; As a trainer licensed by the NJRC, Mr. Drennan; is the absolute insurer of and responsible for the condition of a horse within his care and custody; shall not enter or start a horse that has in its body any drug or substance foreign to the natural horse; has the duty to be familiar with medication rules of the Commission and with any drug or substance foreign the natural horse administered to said horse at his direction or while in his custody and care; As a result of

the positive post-race blood analysis, Mr. Drennan is in violation of N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1(a)(b)(c)(d), N.J.A.C 13:71-23.4(d), N.J.A.C 13:71-23.6(a)(b)(c)(d) and N.J.A.C. 13.71-23.7(a)(b) as such, Mr. Drennan is suspended for a period of fifteen

Status as of 12/27/2023 - Subsequent Ruling - Nikolas Drennan withdrew his appeal in Nikolas Drennan v. New Jersey Racing Commission, OAL Docket No. RAC 06551-2023S, which resulted in the OAL returning his case file to the New Jersey Racing Commission. At issue in the appeal was Ruling No. 23FRE59 in which the Board of Judges at Freehold Raceway imposed a 15 day suspension, \$500 fine, disqualification of the horse "Sweet Soul David" and 1/2 MMV point for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1(a)(b)(c)(d), N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.4(d), N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.6(a)(b)(c)(d) and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.7(a)(b) in connection with a post-race positive test result revealing the presence of Dexamethasone in the horse "Sweet Soul David" after the 9th race on January 13, 2023. Mr. Drennan appealed the decision of the Board of Judges and requested a stay of the penalties. By Ruling No 23TRH23 dated July 10, 2023, a stay was granted and the matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law as a contested case. Having withdrawn his appeal, the penalties issued in Ruling No. 23FRE59 by the Board of Judges at Freehold Raceway are reinstated. Mr. Drennan is hereby issued a 15 day suspension, fined \$500 and 1/2 MMV points are imposed. Said suspension will be served from January 5, 2023 through and including January 19, 2024. Payment of the \$500 fine is due on or before January 19, 2024. The horse "Sweet Soul David" is hereby disqualified from sharing in the purse from the 9th race on January 13, 2023 at Freehold Raceway. The Horsemen's Bookkeeper is hereby ordered to redistribute the purse monies from the 9th race on January 13, 2023 at Freehold Raceway accordingly. This matter is hereby referred to the Board of Judges for a hearing to determine if further disciplinary action is warranted in the event Mr. Drennan fails to show good cause to the Board of Judges as to why the withdrawal of his appeal should not be deemed frivolous in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:71-3.6. Related rulings: 23FRE59, dated June 12, 2023 and 23TRH23, dat

GILERMAN, EUGENE

Haw on 7/12/2023

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION RULES

IRB Rule 502.200 Worker's Compensation Having submitted an invalid and fraudulent Worker's Compensation policy with his 2023 license application, trainer Eugene Gilerman is hereby assessed a civil penalty of \$250.00.

VERNON HILLS, IL

FINED: \$250

YOB 1970

HARRISON, KELVIN J

M on 6/5/2020

BORDENTOWN, NJ

FINED: \$500

FULL - 15 DAYS, 1/11/2024 THRU 1/25/2024

HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE

REDISTRIBUTION

YOB 1950

POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE

Kelvin Harrison was the programmed trainer of the horse TANGO DANCER N who in the 3rd race at the Meadowlands Racetrack on June 5, 2020. Following this race, TANGO DANCER N was required to submit blood samples for analysis. A report from ALS Global - Truesdail Laboratories identified the presence of Phenylbutazone above the allowable limits. This is in direct violation of N.J.R.C. 13:71-23.8(f). As a result, Mr. Harrison is issued a full suspension of his New Jersey Racing Commission license for a period of fifteen (15) days and fined the sum of five hundred (\$500.00) dollars. Said suspension shall begin on August 3, 2020 and run through August 17, 2020 inclusive. During the period of suspension, Mr. Harrison is denied all access to all grounds that are under the jurisdiction of the New Jersey Racing Commission for any and all purposes. Consistent with N.J.A.C.13:71-23.7, the horse TANGO DANCER N is hereby disqualified from sharing in the purse from the 3rd race on Friday, June 5, 2020

Status as of 12/27/2023 - Subsequent Ruling - The New Jersey Racing Commission is in receipt of a notice of appeal and request for a stay from Joseph A. Deer, Esq. on behalf of his client Kelvin Harrison in connection with the 15-day suspension, \$500 fine, disqualification of the horse, loss of purse and 1/2 Multiple Medication Violation ("MMV") point imposed by the Board of Judges at the Meadowlands Racetrack for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1(a)(b)(14); N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.6(a)(b)(c)(d); N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.7(a)(b)(c)(d); and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.8(f)1 and (g)1 in connection with the post-race positive test for phenylbutazone, which exceeded the allowable limits in the horse "TANGO DANCER N" following the 3rd race on June 5, 2020. On January 26, 2022, the New Jersey Racing Commission determined to adopt the initial decision, dated November 19, 2021, of Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") William Courtney. The ALJ found that Mr. Harrison violated N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1(a)(b)(14) and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.6(a)(b)(c)(d) and that the penalties imposed, including those pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.7(a)(b)(c)(d) and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.8(f)1 and (g)1 were appropriate. As a result, the ALJ imposed a 15-day suspension, \$500 fine, disqualification of the horse, loss of purse and 1/2 MMV point. By Ruling No. 22TRH5, dated February 10, 2022, the NJRC reinstated the penalties and fines imposed by the Board of Judges in Ruling No. 20MDH39, dated July 20, 2020. The trainer appealed. By Ruling No. 22TRH22, the Executive Director granted a stay of the penalties pending a final determination by the New Jersey Superior Court, Appellate Division. On September 1, 2023, the Appellate Division issued a decision affirming the New Jersey Racing Commission's adoption of the initial decision. As a result, the New Jersey Racing Commission hereby suspends Kelvin Harrison for 15 days and imposes a \$500 fine and 1/2 MMV point. Said suspension shall be served from January 11, 2024 through and including January 25, 2024. The horse "TANGO DANCER

M on 6/27/2020

FINED: \$500
FULL - 15 DAYS, 1/26/2024 THRU 2/9/2024
HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE
REDISTRIBUTION

POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE

Trainer Kelvin Harrison was the programmed trainer of the horse PERSIMMON A when he raced in the 3rd race at the Meadowlands Racetrack on Saturday, June 27, 2020. Following this race, PERSIMMON A was required to submit blood samples for analysis. A report from ALS Global - Truesdail Laboratories identified the presence of Phenylbutazone above the allowable limits. This in direct violation of N.J.R.C. 13:71-23.8(f) As a result, Mr. Harrison is issued a full suspension of his New Jersey Racing Commission license for a period of 15 days, September 21, 2020 through and including October 4, 2020 and fined the sum of five hundred (\$500.00) dollars. During the period of suspension, Mr. Harrison is denied access to all grounds that are under the jurisdiction of the New Jersey Racing Commission for any and all purposes. Consistent with N.J. A. C. 13:71-23.7 the horse PERSIMMON A is hereby disqualified from sharing in the purse from the 3rd race on Saturday, June 27, 2020.

Status as of 12/27/2023 - Subsequent Ruling - The New Jersey Racing Commission is in receipt of a notice of appeal and request for a stay from Joseph A. Deer, Esq. on behalf of his client Kelvin Harrison in connection with the 15-day suspension, \$500 fine, disqualification of the horse, loss of purse and 1/2 Multiple Medication Violation ("MMV") point imposed by the Board of Judges at the Meadowlands Racetrack for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1(a)(b)(14); N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.6(a)(b)(c)(d); N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.7(a)(b)(c)(d); and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.8(f)1 and (g)1 in connection with the post-race positive test for phenylbutazone, which exceeded the allowable limits in the horse "PERSIMMON A" following the 3rd race on June 27, 2020. On January 26, 2022, the New Jersey Racing Commission determined to adopt the initial decision, dated November 19, 2021, of Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") William Courtney. The ALJ found that Mr. Harrison violated N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1(a)(b)(14) and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.6(a)(b)(c)(d) and that the penalties imposed, including those pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.7(a)(b)(c)(d) and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.8(f)1 and (g)1 were appropriate. As a result, the ALJ imposed a 15-day suspension, \$500 fine, disqualification of the horse, loss of purse and 1/2 MMV point. By Ruling No. 22TRH6, dated February 10, 2022, the NJRC reinstated the penalties and fines imposed by the Board of Judges in Ruling No. 20MDH59, dated September 8, 2020. The trainer appealed. By Ruling No. 22TRH23, the Executive Director granted a stay of the penalties pending a final determination by the New Jersey Superior Court, Appellate Division. On September 1, 2023, the Appellate Division issued a decision affirming the New Jersey Racing Commission's adoption of the initial decision. As a result, the New Jersey Racing Commission hereby suspends Kelvin Harrison for 15 days and imposes a \$500 fine and 1/2 MMV point. Said suspension shall be served from January 26, 2024 through and including February 9, 2024. The horse "PERSIMMON

HUSTED, AMY

EUSTIS, FL

YOB 1996

Haw on 8/10/2023

FINED: \$500

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION RULES

IRB Rule 502.200 Worker's Compensation Having submitted a worker's compensation policy for 2023 not valid for liability related to horse racing, trainer Amy Husted is hereby assessed a civil penalty of \$500.00 and ordered to submit a valid policy with appropriate coverage.

HYNGSTROM, IVAR C

BOCA RATON, FL

YOB 1962

Haw on 8/28/2023

FINED: \$100

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION RULES

IRB Rule 502.200 Worker's Compensation Having allowed his 2023 Worker's Compensation to be cancelled while still actively training, trainer Ivar Hyingstrom is hereby assessed a civil penalty of \$100.00 and ordered to submit a valid policy.

JOHNSON, RICHARD

TOMS RIVER, NJ

YOB 1960

M on 6/12/2020

FINED: \$500

FULL - 15 DAYS, 1/4/2024 THRU 1/18/2024

HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE

REDISTRIBUTION

POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE

Trainer Richard D. Johnson was the programmed trainer of the horse HASHTAGMADEYALOOK when he raced in the 7th race at the Meadowlands Racetrack on Friday, June 12, 2020. Following the race, HASHTAGMADEYALOOK was required to submit blood samples for analysis. A report from ALS Global - Truesdail Laboratories identified the presence of Phenylbutazone above the allowable limits. This is in direct violation of N.J.R.C. 13:71-23.8(f). As a result, Mr. Johnson is issued a full suspension of his NJRC for a period of fifteen (15) days and fined the sum of five hundred (\$500.00) dollars. Said suspension shall begin on August 17, 2020 and run through August 31, 2020 inclusive. During the period of suspension, Mr. Johnson is denied all access to all grounds that are under the jurisdiction of the New Jersey Racing Commission for any and all purposes. Consistent with N.J.A.C.13:71-23.7, the horse HASHTAGMADEYALOOK is hereby disqualified from sharing in the purse from the 7th race on Friday, June 12

Status as of 12/27/2023 - Subsequent Ruling - The New Jersey Racing Commission is in receipt of a notice of appeal and request for a stay from Joseph A. Deer, Esq. on behalf of his client Richard Johnson in connection with the 15-day suspension, \$500 fine, disqualification of the horse, loss of purse and 1/2 Multiple Medication Violation ("MMV") point imposed by the Board of Judges at the Meadowlands Racetrack for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1(a)(b)(14); N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.6(a)(b)(c)(d); N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.7(a)(b)(c)(d); and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.8(f)1 and (g)1 in connection with the post-race positive test for phenylbutazone, which exceeded the allowable limits in the horse "HASHTAGMADEYALOOK" following the 7th race on June 12, 2020. On January 26, 2022, the New Jersey Racing Commission determined to adopt the initial decision, dated November 19, 2021, of Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") William Courtney. The ALJ found that Mr. Johnson violated N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1(a)(b)(14) and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.6(a)(b)(c)(d) and that the penalties imposed, including those pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.7(a)(b)(c)(d) and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.8(f)1 and (g)1 were appropriate. As a result, the ALJ imposed a 15-day suspension, \$500 fine, disqualification of the horse, loss of purse and 1/2 MMV point. By Ruling No. 22TRH13, dated February 10, 2022, the NJRC reinstated the penalties and fines imposed by the Board of Judges in Ruling No. 20MDH50, dated August 5, 2020. The

trainer appealed. By Ruling No. 22TRH30, dated February 22, 2022, the Executive Director granted a stay of the penalties pending a final determination by the New Jersey Superior Court, Appellate Division. On September 1, 2023, the Appellate Division issued a decision affirming the New Jersey Racing Commission's adoption of the initial decision. As a result, the New Jersey Racing Commission hereby suspends Richard Johnson for 15 days and imposes a \$500 fine and 1/2 MMV point. Said suspension shall be served from January 4, 2024 through and including January 18, 2

LINDSEY, MR. KENNEDY L

GRANT PARK, IL

YOB 1962

Haw on 7/28/2023

FINED: \$250

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION RULES

IRB Rule 502.200 Worker's Compensation Having submitted an invalid and fraudulent Worker's Compensation policy with his 2023 license application, trainer Kennedy Lindsey is hereby assessed a civil penalty of \$250.00.

MC DERMOTT, KEVIN C

HAMILTON, NJ

YOB 1967

M on 6/12/2020

FINED: \$500

FULL - 15 DAYS, 1/4/2024 THRU 1/18/2024

HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE

REDISTRIBUTION

POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE

Trainer Kevin McDermott was the programmed trainer of the horse CARRICK when he raced in the 11th race at the Meadowlands on Friday, June 12, 2020. Following this race, CARRICK was required to submit blood samples for analysis. A report from ALS Global - Truesdail Laboratories identified the presence of Phenylbutazone above the allowable limits. This is in direct violation of N.J.R.C. 13:71-23.8(f). As a result, Mr. McDermott is issued a full suspension of his New Jersey Racing Commission license for a period of fifteen (15) days and fined the sum of five hundred (\$500.00) dollars. Said suspension shall begin on August 15, 2020 through August 29, 2020 inclusive. During the period of suspension, Mr. McDermott is denied all access to all grounds that are under the jurisdiction of the NJRC for any and all purposes. Consistent with N.J.A.C.13:71-23.7, the horse CARRICK is hereby disqualified from sharing in the purse from the 11th race on Friday, June 12, 2020.

Status as of 12/27/2023 - Subsequent Ruling - The New Jersey Racing Commission is in receipt of a notice of appeal and request for a stay from Joseph A. Deer, Esq. on behalf of his client Kevin McDermott in connection with the 15-day suspension, \$500 fine, disqualification of the horse, loss of purse and 1/2 Multiple Medication Violation ("MMV") point imposed by the Board of Judges at the Meadowlands Racetrack for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1(a)(b)(14); N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.6(a)(b)(c)(d); N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.7(a)(b)(c)(d); and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.8(f)1 and (g)1 in connection with the post-race positive test for phenylbutazone, which exceeded the allowable limits in the horse "CARRICK" following the 11th race on June 12, 2020. On January 26, 2022, the New Jersey Racing Commission determined to adopt the initial decision, dated

November 19, 2021, of Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") William Courtney. The ALJ found that Mr. McDermott violated N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1(a)(b)(14) and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.6(a)(b)(c)(d) and that the penalties imposed, including those pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.7(a)(b)(c)(d) and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.8(f)1 and (g)1 were appropriate. As a result, the ALJ imposed a 15-day suspension, \$500 fine, disqualification of the horse, loss of purse and 1/2 MMV point. By Ruling No. 22TRH9, dated February 10, 2022, the NJRC reinstated the penalties and fines imposed by the Board of Judges in Ruling No. 20MDH44, dated August 5, 2020. The trainer appealed. By Ruling No. 22TRH27, dated February 22, 2022, the Executive Director granted a stay of the penalties pending a final determination by the New Jersey Superior Court, Appellate Division. On September 1, 2023, the Appellate Division issued a decision affirming the New Jersey Racing Commission's adoption of the initial decision. As a result, the New Jersey Racing Commission hereby suspends Kevin McDermott for 15 days and imposes a \$500 fine and 1/2 MMV point. Said suspension shall be served from January 4, 2024 through and including January 18, 2024. T

MELANDER, MARCUS M
M on 6/12/2020

NEW EGYPT, NJ **YOB 1992**
FINED: \$500
FULL - 15 DAYS, 1/19/2024 THRU 2/2/2024
HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE
REDISTRIBUTION

POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE

Status as of 12/27/2023 - Subsequent Ruling - The New Jersey Racing Commission is in receipt of a notice of appeal and request for a stay from Joseph A. Deer, Esq. on behalf of his client Marcus Melander in connection with the 15-day suspension, \$500 fine, disqualification of the horse, loss of purse and 1/2 Multiple Medication Violation ("MMV") point imposed by the Board of Judges at the Meadowlands Racetrack for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1(a)(b)(14); N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.6(a)(b)(c)(d); N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.7(a)(b)(c)(d); and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.8(f)1 and (g)1 in connection with the post-race positive test for phenylbutazone, which exceeded the allowable limits in the horse "FIFTY CENT PIECE" following the 5th race on June 12, 2020. On January 26, 2022, the New Jersey Racing Commission determined to adopt the initial decision, dated November 19, 2021, of Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") William Courtney. The ALJ found that Mr. Melander violated N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1(a)(b)(14) and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.6(a)(b)(c)(d) and that the penalties imposed, including those pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.7(a)(b)(c)(d) and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.8(f)1 and (g)1 were appropriate. As a result, the ALJ imposed a 15-day suspension, \$500 fine, disqualification of the horse, loss of purse and 1/2 MMV point. By Ruling No. 22TRH10, dated February 10, 2022, the NJRC reinstated the penalties and fines imposed by the Board of Judges in Ruling No. 20MDH51, dated August 5, 2020. The trainer appealed. By Ruling No. 22TRH28, dated February 22, 2022, the Executive Director granted a stay of the penalties pending a final determination by the New Jersey Superior Court, Appellate Division. On September 1, 2023, the Appellate Division issued a decision affirming the New Jersey Racing Commission's adoption

of the initial decision. As a result, the New Jersey Racing Commission hereby suspends Marcus Melander for 15 days and imposes a \$500 fine and 1/2 MMV point. Said suspension shall be served from January 19, 2024 through and including February 2,

M on 6/19/2020

FINED: \$500

FULL - 15 DAYS, 2/3/2024 THRU 2/17/2024

HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE

REDISTRIBUTION

POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE

Trainer Marcus Melander was the programmed trainer of the horse FIFTY CENT PIECE when she raced in the 7th race at the Meadowlands Racetrack on Friday, June 19, 2020. Following this race, FIFTY CENT PIECE was required to submit blood samples for analysis. A report from ALS Global - Truesdail Laboratories identified the presence of Phenylbutazone above the allowable limits. This is in direct violation of N.J.R.C. 13:71-23.8(f). As a result, Mr. Melander is issued a full suspension of his NJRC license for a period of fifteen (15) days and fined the sum of five hundred (\$500.00) dollars. Said suspension shall begin on September 1, 2020 and run through September 15, 2020 inclusive. During the period of suspension, Mr. Melander is denied all access to all grounds that are under the jurisdiction of the New Jersey Racing Commission for any and all purposes. Consistent with N.J.A.C.13:71-23.7, the horse FIFTY CENT PIECE is hereby disqualified from sharing in the purse from the 7th race on Frid

Status as of 12/27/2023 - Subsequent Ruling - The New Jersey Racing Commission is in receipt of a notice of appeal and request for a stay from Joseph A. Deer, Esq. on behalf of his client Marcus Melander in connection with the 15-day suspension, \$500 fine, disqualification of the horse, loss of purse and 1/2 Multiple Medication Violation ("MMV") point imposed by the Board of Judges at the Meadowlands Racetrack for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1(a)(b)(14); N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.6(a)(b)(c)(d); N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.7(a)(b)(c)(d); and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.8(f)1 and (g)1 in connection with the post-race positive test for phenylbutazone, which exceeded the allowable limits in the horse "FIFTY CENT PIECE" following the 7th race on June 19, 2020. On January 26, 2022, the New Jersey Racing Commission determined to adopt the initial decision, dated November 19, 2021, of Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") William Courtney. The ALJ found that Mr. Melander violated N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1(a)(b)(14) and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.6(a)(b)(c)(d) and that the penalties imposed, including those pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.7(a)(b)(c)(d) and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.8(f)1 and (g)1 were appropriate. As a result, the ALJ imposed a 15-day suspension, \$500 fine, disqualification of the horse, loss of purse and 1/2 MMV point. By Ruling No. 22TRH11, dated February 10, 2022, the NJRC reinstated the penalties and fines imposed by the Board of Judges in Ruling No. 20MDH52, dated August 5, 2020. The trainer appealed. By Ruling No. 22TRH29, dated February 22, 2022, the Executive Director granted a stay of the penalties pending a final determination by the New Jersey Superior Court, Appellate Division. On September 1, 2023, the Appellate Division issued a decision affirming the New Jersey Racing Commission's adoption

of the initial decision. As a result, the New Jersey Racing Commission hereby suspends Marcus Melander for 15 days and imposes a \$500 fine and 1/2 MMV point. Said suspension shall be served from February 3, 2024 through and including February 17,

NANCE, SCOTT C

LAS VEGAS, NV

YOB 1962

Haw on 9/9/2023

FINED: \$100

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION RULES

IRB Rule 502.200 Worker's Compensation Having failed to ensure his 2023 Worker's Compensation policy was properly renewed, trainer Scott Nance is hereby assessed a civil penalty of \$100.00.

NORMAN, RICHARD J F

ALLENTOWN, NJ

YOB 1960

M on 6/19/2020

FINED: \$500

FULL - 15 DAYS, 1/19/2024 THRU 2/2/2024

HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE

REDISTRIBUTION

POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE

Trainer Richard Norman was the programmed trainer of the horse CHESTNUT HILL when he raced in the 6th race at the Meadowlands Racetrack on Friday, June 19, 2020. Following this race, CHESTNUT HILL was required to submit blood samples for analysis. A report from ALS Global - Truesdail Laboratories identified the presence of Phenylbutazone above the allowable limits. This is in direct violation of N.J.R.C. 13:71-23.8(f). As a result, Mr. Norman is issued a full suspension of his NJRC license for a period of fifteen (15) days and fined the sum of five hundred (\$500.00) dollars. Said suspension shall begin on August 21, 2020 and run through September 4, 2020 inclusive. During the period of suspension, Mr. Norman is denied all access to all grounds that are under the jurisdiction of the New Jersey Racing Commission for any and all purposes. Consistent with N.J.A.C.13:71-23.7, the horse CHESTNUT HILL is hereby disqualified from sharing in the purse from the 6th race on Friday, June 19, 2020.

Status as of 12/27/2023 - Subsequent Ruling - The New Jersey Racing Commission is in receipt of a notice of appeal and request for a stay from Joseph A. Deer, Esq. on behalf of his client Richard Norman in connection with the 15-day suspension, \$500 fine, disqualification of the horse, loss of purse and 1/2 Multiple Medication Violation ("MMV") point imposed by the Board of Judges at the Meadowlands Racetrack for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1(a)(b)(14); N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.6(a)(b)(c)(d); N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.7(a)(b)(c)(d); and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.8(f)1 and (g)1 in connection with the post-race positive test for phenylbutazone, which exceeded the allowable limits in the horse "CHESTNUT HILL" following the 6th race on June 19, 2020. On January 26, 2022, the New Jersey Racing Commission determined to adopt the initial decision, dated November 19, 2021, of Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") William Courtney. The ALJ found that Mr. Norman violated N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1(a)(b)(14) and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.6(a)(b)(c)(d) and that the penalties imposed, including those pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.7(a)(b)(c)(d) and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.8(f)1 and (g)1 were appropriate.

As a result, the ALJ imposed a 15-day suspension, \$500 fine, disqualification of the horse, loss of purse and 1/2 MMV point. By Ruling No. 22TRH14, dated February 10, 2022, the NJRC reinstated the penalties and fines imposed by the Board of Judges in Ruling No. 20MDH54, dated August 11, 2020. The trainer appealed. By Ruling No. 22TRH32, dated February 22, 2022, the Executive Director granted a stay of the penalties pending a final determination by the New Jersey Superior Court, Appellate Division. On September 1, 2023, the Appellate Division issued a decision affirming the New Jersey Racing Commission's adoption of the initial decision. As a result, the New Jersey Racing Commission hereby suspends Richard Norman for 15 days and imposes a \$500 fine and 1/2 MMV point. Said suspension shall be served from January 19, 2024 through and including February 2, 2024.

PELLING, BRETT G

M on 6/6/2020

CREAMRIDGE, NJ

FINED: \$500

FULL - 15 DAYS, 1/11/2024 THRU 1/25/2024

HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE

REDISTRIBUTION

YOB 1958

POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE

Brett Pelling, was programmed trainer of the horse ALEXIS`S BEACH when she raced in the 1st race at the Meadowlands Racetrack on June 6, 2020. Following the race, ALEXIS`S BEACH was required to submit blood samples for analysis. A report from ALS Global - Truesdail Laboratories identified the presence of Phenylbutazone above the allowable limits. This is in direct violation of N.J.R.C. 13:71-23.8(f). As a result, Mr. Pelling is issued a full suspension of his NJRC license for a period of fifteen (15) days and fined the sum of five hundred (\$500.00) dollars. Said suspension shall begin on August 3, 2020 and run through August 17, 2020 inclusive. During the period of suspension, Mr. Pelling is denied all access to all grounds that are under the jurisdiction of the New Jersey Racing Commission for any and all purposes. Consistent with N.J.A.C.13:71-23.7, the horse ALEXIS`S DANCER is hereby disqualified from sharing in the purse from the 1st race on Saturday, June 6, 2020.

Status as of 12/27/2023 - Subsequent Ruling - The New Jersey Racing Commission is in receipt of a notice of appeal and request for a stay from Joseph A. Deer, Esq. on behalf of his client Brett Pelling in connection with the 15-day suspension, \$500 fine, disqualification of the horse, loss of purse and 1/2 Multiple Medication Violation ("MMV") point imposed by the Board of Judges at the Meadowlands Racetrack for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1(a)(b)(14); N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.6(a)(b)(c)(d); N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.7(a)(b)(c)(d); and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.8(f)1 and (g)1 in connection with the post-race positive test for phenylbutazone, which exceeded the allowable limits in the horse "ALEXIS'S BEACH" following the 1st race on June 6, 2020. On January 26, 2022, the New Jersey Racing Commission determined to adopt the initial decision, dated November 19, 2021, of Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") William Courtney. The ALJ found that Mr. Pelling violated N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1(a)(b)(14) and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.6(a)(b)(c)(d) and that the penalties imposed, including those pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.7(a)(b)(c)(d) and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.8(f)1 and (g)1 were appropriate.

As a result, the ALJ imposed a 15-day suspension, \$500 fine, disqualification of the horse, loss of purse and 1/2 MMV point. By Ruling No. 22TRH4, dated February 10, 2022, the NJRC reinstated the penalties and fines imposed by the Board of Judges in Ruling No. 20MDH40, dated July 20, 2020. The trainer appealed. By Ruling No. 22TRH24, the Executive Director granted a stay of the penalties pending a final determination by the New Jersey Superior Court, Appellate Division. On September 1, 2023, the Appellate Division issued a decision affirming the New Jersey Racing Commission's adoption of the initial decision. As a result, the New Jersey Racing Commission hereby suspends Brett Pelling for 15 days and imposes a \$500 fine and 1/2 MMV point. Said suspension shall be served from January 11, 2024 through and including January 25, 2024. The horse "ALEXIS'S BEACH" i

TORRO, KEITH D
M on 6/13/2020

FREEHOLD, NJ

YOB 1955

FINED: \$500

FULL - 15 DAYS, 1/26/2024 THRU 2/9/2024

HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE

REDISTRIBUTION

POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE

Trainer Keith Torro was the programmed trainer of the horse LEGION OF BOOM when he raced in the 13th race at the Meadowlands Racetrack on Saturday, June 13, 2020.

Following this race, LEGION OF BOOM was required to submit blood samples for analysis.

A report from ALS Global - Truesdail Laboratories identified the presence of Phenylbutazone above the allowable limits. This is in direct violation of N.J.R.C. 13:71-23.8(f). As a result, Mr. Torro is issued a full suspension of his NJRC license for a period of fifteen (15) days and fined the sum of five hundred (\$500.00) dollars. Said suspension shall begin on August 15, 2020 and run through August 29, 2020 inclusive. During the period of suspension, Mr. Torro is denied all access to all grounds that are under the jurisdiction of the NJRC for any and all purposes. Consistent with N.J.A.C.13:71-23.7, the horse LEGION OF BOOM is hereby disqualified from sharing in the purse from the 13th race on Saturday, June 13, 2020.

Status as of 12/27/2023 - Subsequent Ruling - The New Jersey Racing Commission is in receipt of a notice of appeal and request for a stay from Joseph A. Deer, Esq. on behalf of his client Keith Torro in connection with the 15-day suspension, \$500 fine, disqualification of the horse, loss of purse and 1/2 Multiple Medication Violation ("MMV") point imposed by the Board of Judges at the Meadowlands Racetrack for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1(a)(b)(14); N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.6(a)(b)(c)(d); N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.7(a)(b)(c)(d); and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.8(f)1 and (g)1 in connection with the post-race positive test for phenylbutazone, which exceeded the allowable limits in the horse "LEGION OF BOOM" following the 13th race on June 13, 2020. On January 26, 2022, the New Jersey Racing Commission determined to adopt the initial decision, dated November 19, 2021, of Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") William Courtney. The ALJ found that Mr. Torro violated N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1(a)(b)(14) and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.6(a)(b)(c)(d) and that the penalties imposed, including those pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.7(a)(b)(c)(d) and N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.8(f)1 and (g)1 were

appropriate. As a result, the ALJ imposed a 15-day suspension, \$500 fine, disqualification of the horse, loss of purse and 1/2 MMV point. By Ruling No. 22TRH12, dated February 10, 2022, the NJRC reinstated the penalties and fines imposed by the Board of Judges in Ruling No. 20MDH45, dated August 5, 2020. The trainer appealed. By Ruling No. 22TRH31, the Executive Director granted a stay of the penalties pending a final determination by the New Jersey Superior Court, Appellate Division. On September 1, 2023, the Appellate Division issued a decision affirming the New Jersey Racing Commission's adoption of the initial decision. As a result, the New Jersey Racing Commission hereby suspends Keith Torro for 15 days and imposes a \$500 fine and 1/2 MMV point. Said suspension shall be served from January 26, 2024 through and including February 9, 2024. The horse "LEGION OF BOOM" is

WILLIAMS, JAMAL L

STARKVILLE, MS

YOB 1997

KHRC on 12/4/2023

FULL - 5 DAYS, 12/27/2023 THRU 12/31/2023

OTHER

810 Kar 3:001 Sec.15 (1)(d)---Jamal Williams is hereby suspended in reciprocity to his suspension by the Indiana Horse Racing Commission through and including 12/31/2023. Furthermore, He shall remain ineligible for licensing through and including 05/31/2024 as indicated on the Indiana Horse Racing Commission Ruling. Any future applications for a license with the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission will be forwarded to the KHRC Licensing Review Committee.

PART THREE - WHIPPING VIOLATIONS

ERICKSON, BRETT

HUMBOLDT, IA

YOB 1993

CaIX on 12/17/2023

FINED: \$100

EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP

CAL EXPO Driver BRETT ERICKSON, who drove NO.5 COYBOYS DIRTYBOOTS in the ninth race on Sunday, December 17, 2023 is hereby fined the sum of one hundred (\$100.00) dollars for violation of CHRB Whipping Rule #1734(b)(7) Use of the whip more than two times without giving a horse a chance to respond and Rule #1734(b)(8) Use of the whip more than six times during a race, excluding showing or waving the whip. If this fine is not paid to the paymaster of purses within seven calendar days from the date of this ruling you may be suspended and/or your license revoked by the CHRB.

SHERIDAN, MARK N

FAIRTON, NJ

YOB 1958

Fhld on 12/3/2021

FINED: \$500

DRIVING - 5 DAYS, 1/5/2024 THRU 1/9/2024

EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP

Status as of 12/27/2023 - Subsequent Ruling - By Ruling No. 22FRE18, dated February 4, 2022, driver Mark N. Sheridan was issued a 5 day driving suspension and a \$500.00 fine for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:71-20.15(c)3, 4 in connection with restrictive

use of the whip while driving the horse "Dreamella" in the 6th race on December 3, 2021 at Freehold Raceway. Mr. Sheridan appealed the decision of the Board of Judges and requested a stay of the penalties. By Ruling No. 22TRH16, dated February 11, 2022, a stay was granted and the matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law ("OAL") as a contested case. On February 13, 2023, Mr. Sheridan failed to appear at the OAL for the scheduled hearing. As a result, the OAL returned his case file to the NJRC and indicated that if Mr. Sheridan still wanted to have a hearing, he must explain in writing why he did not appear and send the explanation to the NJRC. On March 2, 2023, the NJRC received a letter from Mr. Sheridan stating that a misunderstanding caused his failure to appear. Mr. Sheridan requested that the appeal be retransmitted to the OAL. By Ruling No. 23TRH18, dated April 5, 2023, the Executive Director ordered that the matter be retransmitted to the OAL for a de novo hearing. On September 25, 2023, Administrative Law Judge Sarah G. Crowley ("ALJ") issued an initial decision, which dismissed the appeal because Mr. Sheridan failed to appear at OAL telephone conferences on September 11, 2023 and September 20, 2023. In the initial decision, the ALJ explained that Mr. Sheridan failed to provide good cause for his his failure to appear at the OAL. At its November 15, 2023 meeting, the New Jersey Racing Commission determined to adopt the initial decision. Having adopted the initial decision, the penalties issued in Ruling No. 22FRE18 are reinstated. Mark Sheridan is hereby suspended from driving from January 5, 2024 through and including January 9, 2024. Payment of the fine is due on or before January 9, 2024. This matter is hereby referred to

PART FOUR - MINOR PENALTIES

ANNUNZIATA, MICHAEL CUMB on 12/24/2023 FAILURE TO OBEY THE INSTRUCTIONS OF A RACING OFFICIAL	MAHOPAC, NY FINED: \$100	YOB 1977
BATES, BRANDON L Haw on 12/17/2023 CHANGING COURSE/CAUSING INTERFERENCE	MONROE, IN FINED: \$200 HORSE PLACED 5	YOB 1975
CASE, WALTER H JR CUMB on 12/24/2023 FAILURE TO KEEP BOTH FEET IN THE STIRRUPS	RICHMOND, ME FINED: \$100	YOB 1961
CIAVARDINI, ROBERT P M on 12/8/2023 FAILURE TO KEEP BOTH FEET IN THE STIRRUPS	BREWSTER, NY FINED: \$100	YOB 1953

DESLANDES, DAN S CUMB on 12/24/2023 FAILURE TO KEEP BOTH FEET IN THE STIRRUPS	CLIFTON, ME FINED: \$100	YOB 1992
DODSON, JAMES CALVIN Mea on 12/15/2023 LATE DRIVER CHANGE	HOUSTON, PA FINED: \$200	YOB 1990
FLUET, PHILLIP JAMES Stga on 12/17/2023 INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION	SARATOGA SPRINGS, NY FINED: \$100	YOB 1978
GLASSER, NEIL A M on 12/15/2023 CHANGING COURSE/CAUSING INTERFERENCE	MANALAPAN, NJ FINED: \$300	YOB 1969
GRABER, HENRY JR. DTN on 12/22/2023 RACING A HORSE WHICH IS IMPROPERLY EQUIPPED	MONROE, IN FINED: \$500	YOB 1996
HANNERS, LUKE DTN on 12/22/2023 CROWDING/PUTTING ANOTHER WHEEL UNDER ANOTHER HORSE OR DRIVER	CHILLICOTHE, OH FINED: \$200 HORSE PLACED 6	YOB 2000
HARRIS, ANDREW S M on 12/16/2023 LATE DRIVER CHANGE	ALLENTOWN, NJ FINED: \$100	YOB 1984
HECHKOFF, ROBERT B PHL on 12/17/2023 KICKING A HORSE	NEW YORK, NY FINED: \$200	YOB 1954
JACKSON, DAKOTA A CUMB on 12/15/2023 JOSTLE, STRIKE OR HOOK WHEELS	MONROE, MI FINED: \$100	YOB 1998
JOHNSEN, ANN CHRISTIN PHL on 12/17/2023 LEAVING HORSE UNATTENDED	ALLENTOWN, NJ FINED: \$100	YOB 1971
MCCOWN, CAMERON L DTN on 12/27/2023 IMPEDING THE PROGRESS OF ANOTHER HORSE	OSTRANDER, OH FINED: \$200 HORSE PLACED 8	YOB 1988

MERTON, GREGORY MR on 12/21/2023	MONTICELLO, NY DRIVING - 3 DAYS, 1/5/2024 THRU 1/7/2024 HORSE PLACED 2	YOB 1973
CHANGING COURSE/CAUSING INTERFERENCE		
MERTON, THOMAS L MR on 12/20/2023	MONTICELLO, NY FINED: \$100	YOB 1968
INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION		
MYERS, HUNTER R Mea on 12/22/2023	CHAGRIN FALLS, OH FINED: \$200	YOB 1998
INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION		
NAPOLITANO, GEORGE JR PHL on 12/22/2023	BOCA RATON, FL FINED: \$200 HORSE PLACED 7	YOB 1966
CHANGING COURSE/CAUSING INTERFERENCE		
OLDFORD, STEPHEN E Nfld on 12/16/2023	LEXINGTON, MI FINED: \$100	YOB 1958
INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION		
REISENWEAVER, STEVEN J PHL on 12/17/2023	NEWFIELD, NJ FINED: \$200 HORSE PLACED 8	YOB 1955
INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION		
RHOADES, BRAIDEN M Nfld on 12/18/2023	NORTHFIELD, OH FINED: \$100	YOB 2005
CROSSING OVER BEFORE THE START		
WENGERD, JOHN G Nfld on 12/19/2023	WOOSTER, OH FINED: \$100	YOB 1967
FAILURE TO KEEP BOTH FEET IN THE STIRRUPS		
WILFONG, BRETT H DTN on 12/23/2023	PENDLETON, IN FINED: \$100	YOB 1961
LATE DRIVER CHANGE		