

STATE OF DELAWARE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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Stewards Ruling 141-2021

Ruling Date: 9/16/2021 Licensee: Jose Luis Ramirez DOB: 08/15/1987 Violation Date: 8/26/2021 License Type: Trainer RCI ID: 1779620

Narrative:

Ruling Type/Description: Medication/Drug Violation-Animal

DTRC Rules Cited: 15.1.1.1,15.1.3.1.1, 15.18, 15.30, 7.3.1, 7.3.6, 15.3.2 and 15.19

Fine: \$1000

Narrative:

Acting on a report from Industrial Laboratories, the official testing laboratory for the Delaware Thoroughbred Racing Commission, that blood sample E446143 had exceeded the threshold level for "Triamcinolone Acetonide", at a level of (122 pg/ml) in blood. A violation of D.T.R.C. Rules 15.1.1.1, 15.1.3.1.1,15.18 and 15.30. The Stewards at Delaware Park determined that blood sample E446143 was obtained from "Chief Alpha", second (2) place finisher of the third (3) race on August 26, 2021. The trainer of record for "Chief Alpha" was Jose Luis Ramirez.

Trainer Ramirez was notified of the results of the test on "Chief Alpha".

Trainer Ramirez then "waived" his right to a split sample and a hearing before the Board of Stewards. The Stewards considered all evidence and mitigating circumstances in the matter. Mr. Ramirez agreed to the fine of \$1,000 and the disqualification and loss of purse established by the Uniform Classification Guidelines for Foreign Substances and Recommended Penalties as approved by the Delaware Thoroughbred Racing Commission in D.T.R.C. Rule 15.1.1.1, 15.1.3 and 15.30

Based on the evidence available to them, the Stewards have determined the following:

Jose Luis Ramirez was the trainer of record for "Chief Alpha" on August 26, 2021 at the time "Triamcinolone Acetonide" was found in the blood sample provided by "Chief Alpha" following the third race.

"Triamcinolone Acetonide" is a Therapeutic Medication with a threshold level of 100 pg/ml in blood in Delaware.



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The report from Industrial Laboratories, the primary laboratory of the D.T.R.C. reported "Triamcinolone Acetonide" had been detected in the blood for "Chief Alpha" at a level of 122 pg/ml.

Pursuant to D.T.R.C. Rule 7.3.1, 7.3.6 and 15.3.2. A registered Trainer shall bear primary responsibility for the proper care, health, training condition, safety and protection against administration of prohibited drugs or medication of horses in his charge.

The Stewards FIND Mr. Ramirez in Violation of D.T.R.C. Rules 15.1.1.1, 15.1.3.1.1,15.18 and 15.30 for testing in excess of the threshold level of blood for "Triamcinolone Acetonide" in "Chief Alpha" in the third (3) race on August 26, 2021.

"Triamcinolone Acetonide" is a class "4" drug with a C penalty which has been established by the Uniform Classification Guideline for Foreign Substances and Recommended Penalties Model Rule.

Pursuant to the Guidelines noted above and the rules of the Delaware Thoroughbred Racing Commission, the Stewards hereby ORDER the following:

"Chief Alpha" is disqualified from second place for the purpose of receiving purse money.

Owner Sang Bae Kim is ORDERED to return the purse money earned by "Chief Alpha" in that race to the Horseman's Bookkeeper, the purse money is to be redistributed as followed:

1. #5 Borgobythesea

5. #7 Wolf Ranger

2. #11 Jaquavious

6. #2 Angel's Entry

3. #4 Magic Wizard

7. # 12 Hard Timer

4. #1 Kathern's Joy

Under D.T.R.C. Rule 15.19, points are assigned to medication violations and Mr. Ramirez is being assigned half (1/2) a penalty point for the Triamcinolone Acetonide violation.

This ruling does not affect the pari-mutuel payoffs for this race.



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Failure to pay the assessed fine by the due date may result in a suspension of license. Monetary fines not paid within the parameters of the official ruling are subject to penalty and interest charges at the rate of 1.5% per month compounded monthly.

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