

## STATE OF DELAWARE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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# Stewards Ruling 163-2021

Ruling Date: 10/15/2021

Licensee: Linda Manchio

DOB: 01/15/1945

Violation Date: 10/3/2021

License Type: Trainer

RCI ID: 2209515

Ruling Type/Description: Improper Treatment of An Animal

DTRC Rules Cited: 2.5.1.14, 2.5.1.20, 2.5.1.22, 3.3 All, 3.4 All, 7.3.1, 7.3.4 and 18.1.3

Fine: \$2500

Fine Due Date: 10/25/2021

Suspension: Yes

Suspension Start Date: 10/20/2021

Suspension End Date: 11/18/2021

#### Narrative:

Trainer Linda Manchio, DOB: 01/15/1945 RCI ID: 2209515, failed to appear when noticed before the Board of Stewards at Delaware Park in a hearing on October 15, 2021, to answer to a complaint lodged by a Delaware licensed Veterinarian about the care of a horse named "Food and Wine" Trained by Linda Manchio. The Stewards considered all testimony and evidence in this matter.

## Stewards determined:

On June 2, 2021, Food and Wine was the winner of Race 7, returned sore and was placed on the State Veterinarians List that required a workout and to draw blood to come off the list.

On June 14, 2021, the Practicing Veterinarian performed an Ultrasound on Food and Wine, the Ultrasound reveled a 50% tear in his tendon (Bowed Tendon). The Veterinarian recommended 8 to 12 months off to recover.

Food and Wine was back in training and breezed on August 25,2021. Owner Jose Luis Rosales contacted the State Veterinarian to schedule a breeze in order for Food and Wine to be removed from the Vets List and be eligible to race. The work was scheduled for October 3, 2021.

Food and Wine worked a half mile in 50.60 and pulled up lame. Food and Wine remained on the Vets List.



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Food and Wine was treated in August with Prednisolone Pills and Naquasone Powder.

Owner Jose Luis Rosales ordered the treatment of Naquasone on September 27,2021, and an injection of Dexamethasone on September 27 and 28, 2021 for Food and Wine days prior to Food and Wines workout.

Stewards determined that the ordered treatment by Mr. Rosales for Food and Wine were to take away any lameness so that Food and Wine could work and be removed from the Vets List to race.

Trainer Linda Manchio shall bear primary responsibility for the proper care, health, training, condition, safety and protection of horses in her charge. During testimony in this matter, Trainer Linda Manchio has not been to Delaware Park in 2021, her stable has been in the care of her Assistant Trainer Belinda Manchio.

Linda Manchio did not follow the recommendation of her Practicing Veterinarian for Food and Wine.

The conduct of Trainer Linda Manchio does adversely affect the public's confidence in the reputation of Thoroughbred racing in Delaware and is not in the best interest of horse racing.

Trainer Linda Manchio is in violation of D.T.R.C. Rules 2.5.1.14, 2.5.1.20, 2.5.1.22, 3.3 All, 3.4 All, 7.3.1, 7.3.4 and 18.1.3.

Trainer Linda Manchio is "Suspended" 30 days, October 20,2021 through and including November 18,2021, and is fined twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2500).

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.

Eric Coatrieux

Robert Colton

William Troilo