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Stewards Ruling 115A-2021

Ruling Date: 8/21/2021

Licensee: Matthew J Williams

DOB: 09/26/1995

Violation Date: 6/9/2021

License Type: Trainer

RCI ID: 2122293

Ruling Type/Description: Medication/Drug Violation-Animal

DTRC Rules Cited: 15.1.1.1, 15.1.3, 15.3.1 All, 15.18, 7.3.1, 7.3.6, 15.3.2 and 15.19

Narrative:

Acting on a report from Industrial Laboratories, the official testing laboratory for the Delaware Thoroughbred Racing Commission, that blood sample E445598 had exceeded the level of detection for "Aminocaproic Acid", a violation of D.T.R.C. Rule 15.1.1.1, 15.1.3, 15.3.1 All, and 15.18. The Stewards at Delaware Park determined that blood sample E445598 was obtained from "Dream Marie", first (1) place finisher of the eighth (8) race on June 9, 2021. The trainer of record for "Dream Marie" was Matthew J Williams.

Trainer Williams was notified of the results of the test on "Dream Marie".

Trainer Williams then "availed" his right to a split sample. Sample E445598 was sent to Texas A&M Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory. On July 30, 2021, Texas A&M detected "Aminocaproic Acid" in sample E445598. Mr. Williams requested a hearing. Mr. Williams "Waived" his right to Counsel for this hearing. The hearing was conducted on August 20, 2021. The Stewards considered all evidence and mitigating circumstances in the matter. Stewards will "waive" the fine associated with the recommended penalty and agreed to 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 15.18

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

Matthew J Williams was the trainer of record for "Dream Marie" on June 9, 2021 at the time "Aminocaproic Acid" was found in the blood sample provided by "Dream Marie" following the eighth race.

"Aminocaproic Acid" is not an allowable medication in Delaware, not to exceed the level of detection in blood.



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The report from Industrial Laboratories, the primary laboratory of the D.T.R.C. indicated "Aminocaproic Acid" had been detected in the blood of "Dream Marie".

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. Williams in Violation of D.T.R.C. Rule 15.18 for testing in excess of the level of detection of blood for "Aminocaproic Acid" in "Dream Marie" in the eighth (8) race on June 9, 2021. "Aminocaproic Acid" 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:

"Dream Marie" is disqualified from first place for the purpose of receiving purse money. Owner Miracle's International Trading, Inc. is ORDERED to return the purse money earned by "Dream Marie" in that race to the Horseman's Bookkeeper, the purse money is to be redistributed as followed:

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| 1. #8 Miss Marissa | 4. #12 Graceful Princess |
| 2. #11 Market Rumor | 5. #14 Artful Splatter |
| 3. #3 Bajan Girl | 6. #1 Shyza |

Under D.T.R.C. Rule 15.19, points are assigned to medication violations and Mr. Williams is being assigned 0.5 (1/2) penalty points for the Aminocaproic Acid violation.

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



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Amendment: 4/26/2022

Trainer Matthew Williams, having filed an appeal and asking for a stay concerning his medication violation (Disqualification and Loss of Purse) of Ruling 115-2021, is hereby granted a stay of his disqualification and loss of purse until such time as a decision is made by the Delaware Thoroughbred Racing Commission. Refer to DTRC Rules 3.4, 19.2.1, 19.2.2. all.

After an appeal hearing on November 17, 2021, The Delaware Thoroughbred Racing Commission upheld Stewards Ruling 115-2021.

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Eric Coatrieux

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Robert Colton

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William Troilo