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DELAWARE THOROUGHBRED RACING COMMISSION
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Stewards Ruling 64-2024

Ruling Date: 07/23/2024

Licensee: Roniel Gerardo Rodriguez DOB: 10/08/1964

Violation Date: 07/03/2024

License Type: Unlicensed

RCI ID: 116276

Ruling Type/Description: Failure to Conduct Business in a Proper Manner.

DTRC Rules Cited: 2.4, 2.5.1.13, 2.5.1.20, 2.5.1.22, 3.3 All and 3.4 All (3.4.1.15).

Fine: \$2500

Fine Due Date: 07/31/2024

Suspension: No

Narrative:

Unlicensed Person Roniel Gerardo Rodriguez DOB: 10/08/1964, RCI ID:116276, appeared before the Board of Stewards for a hearing conducted on July 17, 2024. He was Summarily Suspended on July 4, 2024, for making a verbal threat to a Steward. Mr. Gerardo "Waived" his right to legal counsel for this hearing. Stewards considered all testimony provided at the hearing and made a final determination in this matter:

The Summarily Suspension has been "lifted".

In the hearing it was determined by the Stewards that Mr. Gerardo was participating as a Jockey Agent for Carlos Eduardo Lopez while unlicensed in Delaware.

On July 3, 2024, Mr. Gerardo called Steward Colton on his personal cell phone, which he answered on speaker phone for all Stewards to hear and issued a threat after Jockey Lopez appeared before the Stewards for a movie review on a possible HISA crop violation.

Jockey Lopez was fined by the Stewards on July 4, 2024, for failing to have his Agent licensed Pursuant to D.T.R.C. Rule 2.4. Stewards issued a HISA Ruling to Jockey Lopez for a Class 3 crop violation. Mr. Gerardo called the Stewards on this day (July 4, 2024) to complain that he felt the Stewards were not treating Mr. Lopez fairly, Stewards reminded Mr. Gerardo that he was Summarily Suspended, Mr. Gerardo by the end of the conversation used profanity directed at Steward Troilo and hung up.

Stewards fine Mr. Gerardo \$2500 for failure to conduct business in a proper manner and for activity inconsistent with the best interest of racing. Pursuant to D.T.R.C. Rules 2.5.1.13, 2.5.1.20, 2.5.1.22, 3.3 All, 3.4 All. And 3.4.1.15

Duties and Responsibilities of Stewards:

3.4.1.15- To impose fines upon any corporation, association or person participating in any Thoroughbred horse race meet at which pari-mutuel wagering is conducted, other than as a patron, and whether "licensed or not" by the Commission, for a violation of any provision of 3 Del.C. Ch. 101 or these Rules and Regulations. Assessed fines that have not been paid within 48 hours or within the parameters of an official ruling may result in a suspension of license and are subject to penalty and interest charges.


Joelyn Rigione


Robert Colton


William Troilo