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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE

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In re:) HPA Docket No. 10-0235
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Danny Reed,)
)
Respondent)

Consent Decision and Order

This proceeding was instituted under the Horse Protection Act ("Act"), as amended (15 U.S.C. § 1821 et seq.), by a complaint filed by the Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, United States Department of Agriculture, alleging that the respondent violated the Act. This decision is entered pursuant to the consent decision provisions of the Rules of Practice applicable to this proceeding (7 C.F.R. § 1.138).

Respondent Danny Reed admits the jurisdictional allegations in paragraph I of the complaint and specifically admits that the Secretary has jurisdiction in this matter, neither admits nor denies the remaining allegations, waives oral hearing and further procedure, and consents and agrees, for the purpose of settling this proceeding and for such purpose only, to the entry of this decision.

The complainant agrees to the entry of this decision.

Findings of Fact

A. Respondent Danny Reed is an individual whose mailing address is PO Box 176, McKinney, Kentucky, 40448.

B. At all times material herein, respondent Danny Reed was the owner of the horse known as "Mo Ritz" which was entered as Entry No. 36, Class No. 39, on September 21, 2007, at the 41st Annual Kentucky Celebration in Liberty, Kentucky.

Conclusions

Respondent Danny Reed, having admitted the jurisdictional facts and the parties having agreed to the entry of this decision, such decision will be entered.

Order

Respondent Danny Reed is disqualified for an uninterrupted period of one year from showing, exhibiting, or entering any horse, directly or indirectly through any agent, employee, or other device, and from judging, managing or otherwise participating in any horse show, horse exhibition, or horse sale or auction. Jurisdiction is retained for the limited purpose of enforcement of this paragraph.

This order shall have the same effect as if entered after a full hearing and shall become effective on the first day after service of this decision on the respondent.

Copies of this decision shall be served upon the parties.

[Redacted]

Danny Reed
Respondent

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Brian T. Hill
Attorney for Complainant

Done at Washington, D.C.
this 22nd day of February 2010

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Administrative Law Judge