

RULING NUMBER COM SB 035/2010

COMMISSION HEARING

TORONTO, ONTARIO – JULY 21, 2010

IN THE MATTER OF THE RACING COMMISSION ACT S.O. 2000, c.20;

AND IN THE MATTER OF THE APPEAL AND REQUEST FOR HEARING BY STANDARDBRED LICENSEE STEVE BOSSENCE

On May 24, 2010, the Judges issued Standardbred Official Ruling SB 41127 wherein The Horse CHICK N TELL finished third and was not placed during the 3rd Race at Mohawk Raceway on May 24, 2010, in accordance with Rule 22.27 of the Rules of Standardbred Racing for the following reason:

That driver Jody Jamieson followed all the breaking rules and did continuously lose ground.

On June 3, 2010, Steve Bossence ("Bossence") filed a Notice of Appeal, pursuant to Rule 24.01(b) of the Rules of Standardbred Racing.

On July 21, 2010, a Panel of the Ontario Racing Commission ("ORC"), comprised of Chair Rod Seiling, convened for the purpose of hearing this matter.

Neil McCoag appeared on behalf of the Administration of the ORC. Bossence attended the Hearing and was unrepresented.

After reviewing the evidence, hearing the testimony of Judge Craig Walker and Driver Jody Jamieson, and upon considering the closing submissions, the Panel denied the appeal.

A transcript of the Panel's Reasons for Decision is attached to this Ruling.

DATED at Toronto this 26th day of July 2010.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

John L. Blakney Executive Director

ONTARIO RACING COMMISSION

RE: STANDARDBRED HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF AN APPEAL AND REQUEST FOR HEARING OF

STEVE BOSSENCE

Held Before:

Rod Seiling, Chairman

This is an excerpt of a Hearing of the Ontario Racing Commission re: **STEVE BOSSENCE**, taken before Toronto Court Reporters, Suite 1410, 65 Queen Street West, Toronto, Ontario, at 10 Carlson Court, Suite 400, Toronto, Ontario, on the 21st day of July, 2010.

Appearances:

Neil McCoag,

representative for the Ontario Racing Commission Administration

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1 Hearing continued ...

2 MR. CHAIRMAN: Please be seated. After 3 carefully reviewing the testimony, the evidence and the 4 documentation submitted the panel denies the appeal. The panel 5 prefers the testimony of Judge Walker supported by driver Jody 6 Jamieson. The interpretation of the breaking rule results in a 7 horse when on a break must lose ground and for safety reasons is 8 not expected to pull out immediately. Mr. Bossence did not offer 9 any new material evidence or that the Judges incorrectly 10 interpreted the rules. He only offered his opinion, one that runs 11 counter to the testimony of both Judge Walker and driver Jody Jamieson. The Judges correctly applied the Rules of 12 13 Standardbred Racing. Mr. Jamieson's horse was not lapped on 14 and therefore should not have been placed as he did lose ground, 15 albeit marginally as Mr. Bossence pointed out. That's it. Thank 16 you.

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RAYMOND P. MACDONALD, B.A., CVR Commissioner of Oaths

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