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STEWARDS RULING

Ruling number: 22-0135
Sample #R020613

Track: Churchill Downs

Date: November 20, 2022

Trainer: Claude R. McGaughey III

Upon receipt of notification from The University of Kentucky Equine Analytical Chemistry Laboratory, the official testing laboratory for the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission and confirmed at Texas A & M Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory, sample number R020613 taken from SMOKIN T, who finished second in the eleventh race at Churchill Downs on June 4, 2022, contained 2-1-(hydroxyethyl) promazine sulfoxide (HEPS) at a level of 61.2 ng/ml in urine (Class B). After waiving his right to a formal hearing before the Board of Stewards Claude R. McGaughey III is hereby suspended THIRTY (30) days and fined FIVE HUNDRED (\$500.00) DOLLARS. Due to mitigating circumstances (number of violations in relation to overall record), FIFTEEN (15) days are to be served from December 5, 2022, through December 19, 2022 (inclusive). The remaining FIFTEEN (15) days are stayed on the condition that no Class A or Class B medication violation occurs in any racing jurisdiction within 365 days from the date of this ruling. SMOKIN T is disqualified, and all purse money forfeited. Pari-mutuel wagering is not affected by this ruling. During his suspension Mr. McGaughey is denied the privileges of all facilities under the jurisdiction of the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission. Entry of all horses owned or trained by Claude R. McGaughey III is denied pending transfer to persons acceptable to the stewards. Upon receipt of this ruling, it is required within thirty (30) days to pay any and all fines imposed to the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission. Failure to do so will subject the licensee to summary suspension of license pursuant to 810 KAR 3:020 Section 15 (c).

- 810 KAR 4:100 Section 3, subsections (1) and (2)(d)
- 810 KAR 4:010 Section 10, subsection (5)
- 810 KAR 8:010 Section 2
- 810 KAR 4:060 Section (6)(7)
- 810 KAR 8:010 Section 15, subsection (2)(3)
- 810 KAR 8:030, Section 4, subsection (2)(a) 1.(b)

BY ORDER OF THE STEWARDS