



STEWARDS RULING COVER PAGE

HISA Case Number:	Violation Date (mm/dd/yyyy):	09/18/2026
State Tracking Number: (optional) 26-097	Hearing Date (mm/dd/yyyy):	09/19/2026
	Ruling Date (mm/dd/yyyy):	09/23/2026
Track Name: Churchill Downs	Track HISA ID:	L000000069
Issued To:		
HISA ID: P000017804		
Name: Tyler Gaffalione		
Race: 8	Horse Name: War Officer	Horse HISA ID: H000038720
Fine Amount (\$): 2,000.00	Days to pay fine:	30
Points: 3	Class of Violation:	3
Disqualified (DQ'd): ☐ Yes ☒ No	Purse Amount To Be Repaid (\$):	
Suspension (Either Consecutive Calendar Days or Race Days)		
Consecutive Calendar Days Suspended		
Start Date (mm/dd/yyyy):	Duration (days):	
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Race Days Suspended (mm/dd/yyyy)		
Day 1: 10/11/2026	Day 6:	
Day 2: 10/14/2026	Day 7:	
Day 3: 10/15/2026	Day 8:	
Day 4: 10/16/2026	Day 9:	
Day 5:	Day 10:	
Consecutive Calendar Days Suspended Pursuant to Rule 2283 "Multiple Violations"		
Start Date (mm/dd/yyyy):	Duration (days):	
Other Actions to Be Completed:		
Date to Be Completed (mm/dd/yyyy):		
APPEAL INFORMATION		
Any Stewards ruling finding a violation may be appealed to the IAP pursuant to Rule 2285(c) by filing a written request for appeal with the Board within 10 days of the issuance of the Stewards ruling. Rule 2285(c) specifies the information that must be included in the written request for appeal. An appeal to the Board will not automatically stay the Stewards ruling. A stay must be requested. The Board may issue a stay for good cause shown.		
PAYMENT INFORMATION		
Payment must be received by due date to avoid further penalties. Option 1) Pay online on the HISA Portal (portal.hisapps.org) or Option 2) Send check with a copy of this ruling form to:		
Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority 401 W Main Street, Suite 222 Lexington, Kentucky 40507		



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HISA KENTUCKY STEWARDS RULING

KY. Ruling number: 26-097

Track: Churchill Downs

Date: September 23, 2026

Jockey: Tyler Gaffalione (HISA #P000017804)

After waiving his right to a hearing before the Board of Stewards, Tyler Gaffalione, who finished second aboard WAR OFFICER in the eighth race at Churchill Downs on September 18, 2026, was found to have violated HISA Rule 2280 (b)(2) by striking his mount seven times with the riding crop (4th offense in 180 days). Pursuant to HISA Rule 2282 (c)(1), Class 3, Tyler Gaffalione is hereby fined two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) and suspended four Kentucky racing days, October 11, October 14, October 15 and October 16, 2026.

Upon receipt of this ruling, it is required within thirty (30) days to pay any and all fines imposed to the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority.

HISA Rule 2280 (b)(2)

HISA Rule 2283 (c)(1)

By Order of the Stewards