



RULING

Kentucky Horse Racing Commission

Oak Grove Racing & Gaming, KY - US

NAME: Dean M Eckley

USTA No: 385J38

YEAR OF BIRTH: 1983

STATE LIC ID: 361001

RULING NO.: OG2025-010

USTA REF #: 1-6XTX-5DKV

ACTION DATE: 4/17/2025

INFRACTION DATE: 6/8/2022

REASON CODE: IRV6

STATE: KY - US

RACE NO:

FINISH:

Conduct detrimental to the best interest of horse racing

HORSE:


PHARMACEUTICALS

PENALTY DESCRIPTION

Action(s) against license: Ineligible(INE) as of 4/17/2025

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

810 KAR 3:020, Sec. 15 (1)(h), (i), (j), (q), and (bb). In 2022, Dean Eckley applied for a KHRGC License. This application was forwarded to the Corporation's Licensing Review Committee and was denied. The Committee gave Eckley the opportunity to withdraw the application and he declined. At a later date, Dean Eckley petitioned the Committee to be allowed to withdraw the denied application. This request was granted by the Committee and indicated by Judges ruling J2022-014 rescinding the denial. Thereafter, following an extensive investigation, it was determined that Dean Eckley did in fact race horses at KHRGC licensed racing venues in 2022 and 2023 using the names of his employees who were licensed trainers in Kentucky. Therefore, in accordance with the KHRGC's statutory charge to regulate and maintain horse racing at race meetings in the Commonwealth so as to dissipate any cloud of association with the undesirable and maintain the appearance as well as the fact of complete honesty and integrity of horse racing in the Commonwealth, Dean Eckley is hereby declared ineligible for licensing by the Kentucky Horse Racing and Gaming Corporation for engaging in conduct that is against the best interest of horse racing and compromising the integrity of horse racing in the Commonwealth of Kentucky,.

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Dean M Eckley