



BOARD OF JUDGES RULING

Kentucky Horse Racing & Gaming

4047 Iron Works Parkway

Lexington KY 40511

Name: Hershberger Joseph A
Last First Middle

USTA# 347R22 Occupation: Driver

Violation: Whipping While Out Of Contention

Violation Date: 3/30/2026 Ruling Date: 4/6/2026

Narrative

Mr. Joseph Hershberger was the driver of #7 Social Theories who was in the 9th Race at Oak Grove on 3/30/2026. Mr. Hershberger did use the whip while no longer in contention violating 810 KAR 5:070 Section 9 – D – 7.

Violation Law: 810 KAR 5:070 Section 9 – D – 7

ALL FINES ARE DUE WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THIS RULING

ANY APPEAL OF THIS ORDER MUST BE DELIVERED IN WRITING TO THE KHRG WITHIN 10 DAYS OF THE RULING DATE

Ruling # OG2026-005

Fine: \$250.00

Casey Larson
KHRG Presiding Judge

PJ Cooksey
KHRG Associate Judge

Dave Magee
Association Associate Judge



Kentucky Horse Racing & Gaming
Board Of Judges
Waiver Of Hearing & Appeal

In The Matter Of: Joseph Hershberger

3-30-2026 Race 9 #7 Social Theories
810 KAR 5:070 Section 9 - D - 7
Whipping out of Contention

Penalty Issued is:

- Fine of \$ 250 due within 30 (Thirty) Days
- Suspension of _____ Days (Days Listed Below)

WAIVER OF HEARING

1. The undersigned states that he/she has been advised of the right to a Judges' hearing in this matter and to appeal the ruling to the Kentucky Horse Racing & Gaming pursuant to 810 KAR 9:010 that he/she has been advised of his/her right to legal counsel; and that he/she consents to issuance of this ruling by the Board of Judges.
2. The undersigned hereby waived his/her right to said hearing and appeal and to any judicial review of the Judges' ruling issued in this matter.

Dated: 3-30-26

Casey Larson

Casey Larson
KHRG Presiding Judge

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