

FINES AND SUSPENSIONS BULLETIN

Fri, Feb 11 - Thu, Feb 17

PART ONE

The following action has been taken by the United States Trotting Association. This information is in an abbreviated form.

STOLTZFUS, DAVID B **COATESVILLE, PA** **YOB 1983**
USTA on 2/14/2022 **DENIAL(DEN) AS OF 2/14/2022**
USTA MEMBERSHIP ACTION
Membership denied pursuant to the provision of Article 1, Section 4(a) of the Association bylaws.

PART TWO - MAJOR PENALTIES

The following actions published herein and imposed pursuant to the rules and regulations of the racing commissions of the various states and provinces are given full faith and credit and strictly enforced by the United States Trotting Association consistent with the provisions of USTA Rule 22, Sections 7 and 8 relative to RECIPROCITY OF PENALTIES. The fact that there is no separate action taken by the USTA in the form of a "ruling of reciprocity" shall not be construed as a failure to recognize and/or reciprocate with these published penalties. Please note that the following action is in an abbreviated form and that the USTA is not responsible for the accuracy or timeliness of reported penalties. Further information may be available by contacting the racing commission where the ruling was issued to determine the accuracy of the information.

ADAM, ALEX H **BEECHER, IL** **YOB 1967**
Haw on 2/16/2022 **FINED: \$50**
OTHER
Trainer Alex Adam is fined \$50 for failing to ensure a temporary owner applicant submit a permanent application within 30 days.

AVENATTI, DAVID M **CHRISMAN, IL** **YOB 1967**
Haw on 2/16/2022 **FINED: \$50**
OTHER
Trainer David Avenatti is fined \$50 for failing to ensure a temporary owner applicant submit a permanent application within 30 days.

BAMOND, JEFFREY JR. **BRICK, NJ** **YOB 1984**
Haw on 2/16/2022 **INDEFINITE SUSPENSION(IND) AS OF 2/16/2022**
FAILURE TO OBTAIN PROPER LICENSE
Suspend- failure to submit permanent application in the state of Illinois.

BAMOND, JEFFREY P **BRICK, NJ** **YOB 1955**
Haw on 2/16/2022 **INDEFINITE SUSPENSION(IND) AS OF 2/16/2022**
FAILURE TO OBTAIN PROPER LICENSE
Suspend-failure to submit permanent application in the state of Illinois.

BEAVER, CHRISTOPHER F **RADNOR, OH** **YOB 1972**
M on 2/22/2021 **FINED: \$500**
DRIVING - 15 DAYS, 2/4/2022 THRU 2/18/2022
HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE
REDISTRIBUTION

POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE

The fine associated with ruling must be paid by Feb. 18, 2022.

BONTRAGER, JOHN JR.

Nfld on 12/21/2021

MIDDLEFIELD, OH

RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING(RES) AS OF
2/8/2022

YOB 1997

UNPAID OBLIGATION

Mr. Bontrager is hereby suspended until he pays the fine (\$300.00) per ruling Nfld-2021-234 at Northfield Park. O.S.R.C.-3769-17-36 17-99

Status as of 2/8/2022 - Subsequent Ruling - Mr. Bontrager has paid the fine per ruling NFLD-2021-234 and is restored to good standing in Ohio. O.S.R.C.-3769-17-36 17-99

DILLON, BRITNEY L

Haw on 2/16/2022

GREENVILLE, MI

FINED: \$200

YOB 1980

OTHER

Trainer Britney is fined \$200 for failing to ensure that four temporary owner applicants submit permanent applications within 30 days.

EATON, JAMES N

Haw on 2/16/2022

CRETE, IL

FINED: \$50

YOB 1957

OTHER

Trainer James Eaton id fined \$50 for failing to ensure a temporary owner applicant submit a permanent application within 30 days.

IRVINE, JUSTIN D

Nfld on 1/8/2022

AURORA, OH

FINED: \$50

YOB 2001

BAD CHECK

Mr. Irvine issued a check for a fine at Northfield Park and the check was returned Not Authorized. O.S.R.C.-3769-12-26(A)(6) 12-99 The fine has been paid.

KATZ, EVAN A

PHL on 1/23/2021

SEAFORD, NY

RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING(RES) AS OF
2/17/2022

YOB 1964

FAILURE TO PAY FINE(S)

PA Code Title 7-205.33(g) 205.502 Mr. Katz is issued an indefinite full suspension (starting January 25, 2022) for failure to pay the \$200 fine from ruling #21094CD. Appeals are due within ten days of ruling and must be submitted in writing (accompanied by a \$750 bond) to: The PA State Horse Racing Commission, 2301 N. Cameron St., Room 304, Harrisburg, PA 17110 ATTN: Anthony Salerno

Status as of 2/17/2022 - Subsequent Ruling - PA Title 7-203.11(e) Mr. Katz has paid his fine for ruling #21094C of \$200.00 and is restored to good standing as of 2/17/22.

KIRBY, VICTOR

DD on 2/14/2022

MILFORD, DE

FINED: \$200

YOB 1972

FAILURE TO PASS THE BREATH ANALYZER TEST

Driver Victor Kirby, having had a Judge`s hearing on 2/15/22, is fined \$200 for failing the breathalyzer test prior to the racing card on 2/14/22 at Dover Downs (see DHRC rule:5.1.8.2.6). Mr. Kirby was taken off all programmed drives. All fines to be paid within 10 days of receipt of ruling.

LEONARD, ROSS J

ANDERSON, IN

YOB 1979

Haw on 2/16/2021

FINED: \$50

OTHER

Trainer Ross Leonard is fined \$50 for failing to ensure a temporary owner applicant submit a permanent application within 30 days.

MICHELON, RONALD C

NORTHBROOK, IL

YOB 1940

PHL on 2/11/2022

FINED: \$50

INDEFINITE SUSPENSION(IND) AS OF 2/22/2022

FAILURE TO OBTAIN PROPER LICENSE

PA Code Title 7- 203.11(a) 203.11(e) 203.23(b) Failure to complete Pennsylvania license requirements. The penalties are a \$50 fine (fines are due within ten days of ruling) and an indefinite full suspension (beginning February 22, 2022). Appeals are due within ten days of ruling and must be submitted in writing to: The Pennsylvania State Horse Racing Commission, 2301 N. Cameron St., Room 304, Harrisburg, PA 17110 ATTN: Anthony Salerno

NISONGER, JEFFREY S

LEBANON, OH

YOB 1981

Lima on 8/23/2021

FINED: \$1,000

HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE
REDISTRIBUTION

POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE

Mr. Nisonger has dropped his appeal of ruling #21-AllnCo1 at the Allen County Fair and the penalty remains the same. All purse money must be returned for redistribution (\$2,087.00). O.S.R.C.-3769-18-01(B)(10)&(13) 18-02 18-99 If the fine is not paid to the judges by 2/18/22 you shall be suspended and your license may be revoked by the commission. If the purse money is not returned by 2/18/22 the owner shall stand suspended until all purse money has been returned to the permit holder. Horses owned wholly or in part by the owner shall also be suspended and are not transferable until the purse money has been returned.

PRATHER, NICK E

RUSHVILLE, IL

YOB 1968

Haw on 2/16/2022

FINED: \$50

OTHER

Trainer Nick Prather is fined \$50 for failing to ensure a temporary owner applicant submit a permanent application within 30 days.

ROBERTS, RONNIE B

GRANT PARK, IL

YOB 1951

Haw on 2/16/2022

FINED: \$50

OTHER

Trainer Ronnie Roberts is fined \$50 for failing to ensure a temporary owner applicant submit a permanent application within 30 days.

ROBINSON, JASON M

WASHINGTON, PA

YOB 1984

Nfld on 1/8/2022

RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING(RES) AS OF
2/12/2022

UNPAID OBLIGATION

Mr. Robinson is hereby suspended until he pays the fine (\$100.00) per ruling NFLD-2022-008 at Northfield Park. O.S.R.C.-3769-17-36 17-99

Status as of 2/12/2022 - Subsequent Ruling - Mr. Robinson has paid the fine per ruling NFLD-2022-008 and is restored to good standing in Ohio. O.S.R.C.-3769-17-36 17-99

SEARLE, STEVEN J

GRANT PARK, IL

YOB 1959

Haw on 2/16/2022

FINED: \$50

OTHER

Trainer Steven Searle is fined \$50 for failing to ensure a temporary owner applicant submit a permanent application within 30 days.

VIGNERON, CHARLES A

WILLIAMSTOWN, WV

YOB 1961

Mea on 11/12/2018

FINED: \$1,000

FULL - 30 DAYS, 2/16/2022 THRU 3/17/2022
HORSE DISQUALIFIED - PLACED 10, PURSE
REDISTRIBUTION

POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE

PA Code Title 58-183.336,183.352,183.355,183.357. Mr. Vigneron was the trainer of record for ROCKNROLL CHARM in the 13th Race at The Meadows on November 12, 2018. Post race analysis of sample 335979 showed the presence of PEMOLINE, which was confirmed by split sample. ROCKNROLL CHARM finished 1st and is disqualified and placed 10th. ROCKNROLL CHARM is placed on the List until June 6, 2019. Mr. Vigneron is hereby issued a \$10,000 fine and a full 365 day suspension of his license beginning March 29, 2019 through and including March 27, 2020. Mr. Vigneron is also ordered to return all purse money earned in the above race. During the term of suspension, Mr. Vigneron is ruled off all grounds under the jurisdiction of the PSHRC. Any trainer transfers of horses must be approved by the Judges at The Meadows or the PSHRC. The fine and purse return are due within 10 days of this ruling. Mr. Vigneron has 10 days to appeal this decision to the PSHRC, Bureau of Standardbred Racing.

Status as of 2/15/2022 - Subsequent Ruling - RULING # 22007C The State Horse Racing Commission, Bureau of Standardbred Horse Racing, has received written notification that Charles Vigneron has withdrawn his appeal of the Meadows Board of Judges Ruling No. 19046M. In consideration of the withdrawal of his appeal, and based upon mitigating circumstances, the ruling is hereby modified as follows: Mr.

Vigneron shall serve a 30-day suspension beginning February 16, 2022 through and including March 17, 2022. There shall be a fine of \$1,000. The fine of \$1,000 is due no later than February 17, 2022. Additionally, Appellant's owner and trainer license shall be placed on a 1-year conditional beginning February 16, 2022 through and including February 15, 2023. The purse disqualification shall stand. It shall be noted that there were mitigating circumstances present in this matter.

WINGARD, LAMAR D **ANDERSON, IN** **YOB 1984**
Haw on 2/16/2022
FINED: \$100
OTHER
Trainer Lamar Wingard is fined \$100 for failing to ensure that two temporary owner applicants submit permanent applications within 30 days.

WYATT, WADE V **DOVER, DE** **YOB 1981**
PHL on 2/11/2022
FINED: \$50
INDEFINITE SUSPENSION(IND) AS OF 2/22/2022
FAILURE TO OBTAIN PROPER LICENSE
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PART THREE - WHIPPING VIOLATIONS

ANCORA, PATRIZIO **ENFIELD, CT** **YOB 1977**
PPk on 2/6/2022
FINED: \$100
EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP
In the 7th race on 2/6/22, Mr. Ancora used his whip in an excessive manner. Mr. Ancora is fined \$100. All fines due within 7 days.

BRENNAN, GEORGE **FREEHOLD, NJ** **YOB 1967**
YR on 2/14/2022
FINED: \$100
EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP
While driving # 2 SEMI TOUGH at Yonkers in race # 8 on 2/14/22 Mr. Brennan did use his whip outside the confines of the sulky in the stretch drive. This is his first violation in this chapter of the NYSGC rules , therefore , he has been fined \$ 100.00 for this infraction. Any further violations in this chapter will result in a higher fine and suspension.

BROCKLEHURST, BRYCE H **WASHINGTON, PA** **YOB 1989**
Mea on 2/16/2022
FINED: \$200
INAPPROPRIATE USE OF THE WHIP

PA Code Title 7-205.409 (C). While driving #2 In Love Again during the stretch in race 7 on 2/16/22 at the Meadows, Mr. Brocklehurst did whip the horse using other than wrist and elbow action. Mr. Brocklehurst is fined \$200 which is due within 10 days of this ruling. Mr. Brocklehurst has 10 days to appeal this decision to the Pennsylvania SHRC, Bureau of Standardbred Racing.

Mea on 2/16/2022

FINED: \$200

INAPPROPRIATE USE OF THE WHIP

PA Code Title 7-205.409 (C). While driving #2 Highmoon Sunshine in the stretch in race 10 on 2/16/22 at the Meadows, Mr. Brocklehurst did whip the horse using other than wrist and elbow action. Mr. Brocklehurst is fined \$200 which is due within 10 days of this ruling. Due to an excessive amount of penalties for the same offense, Mr. Brocklehurst's penalties for this or any other whipping violations will be increased to \$500 and/or 5 days driving suspensions. Mr. Brocklehurst has 10 days to appeal this decision to the Pennsylvania SHRC, Bureau of Standardbred Racing.

BROWN, BRADY

SLIPPERY ROCK, PA

YOB 1993

Mea on 2/16/2022

FINED: \$200

INAPPROPRIATE USE OF THE WHIP

PA Code Title 7-205-409 (C). While driving #4 Keystone Stevie during the stretch in race 11 on 2/16/22 at the Meadows, Mr. Brown did whip the horse using other than wrist and elbow action. Mr. Brown is fined \$200 which is due within 10 days of this ruling. Mr. Brown has 10 days to appeal this decision to the Pennsylvania SHRC, Bureau of Standardbred Racing.

JOHNSTON, SHAWN P

EVANS CITY, PA

YOB 1993

Mea on 2/11/2022

FINED: \$200

INAPPROPRIATE USE OF THE WHIP

PA Code Title 7-205.409 (C). While driving #3 Amelia B Hanover during the stretch in race 4 On 2/11/22 at the Meadows, Mr. Johnston did whip the horse using other than wrist and elbow action. Mr. Johnston is fined \$200 which is due within 10 days of this ruling. Mr. Johnston has 10 days to appeal this decision to the Pennsylvania SHRC, Bureau of Standardbred Racing.

RATH, GARY A

MARENGO, IL

YOB 1961

Haw on 2/12/2022

FINED: \$200

FAILURE TO KEEP A LINE IN EACH HAND

One handed whipping before the 7/8 pole. First offense.

RAWLINGS, DAN J.

CANONSBURG, PA

YOB 1981

Mea on 2/10/2022

FINED: \$500

INAPPROPRIATE USE OF THE WHIP

PA Code Title 7-205.409 (C). While driving #1 Snuf Enuf Hanover during the stretch in race 11 on 2/10/22 at the Meadows, Mr. Rawlings did whip the horse using other than wrist and elbow action. Mr. Rawlings is fined \$500 which is due within 10 days of this ruling. Mr.

Rawlings has 10 days to appeal this decision to the Pennsylvania SHRC, Bureau of Standardbred Racing.

PART FOUR - MINOR PENALTIES

BUFORD, ARCHIE N Haw on 2/5/2022 FAILURE TO SET AND MAINTAIN A PROPER PACE	TERRY, MS FINED: \$100	YOB 1986
FILOMENO, JOHN J Haw on 2/4/2022 LATE TO THE PADDOCK	BEECHER, IL FINED: \$200	YOB 1969
GIBSON, GARY D Stga on 2/7/2022 LATE DRIVER CHANGE	VERNON, NY FINED: \$100	YOB 1990
KRENITSKY, ROBERT JR Mea on 2/16/2022 NO VACCINATION / COGGINS / HEALTH CERTIFICATE	BUTLER, PA FINED: \$100	YOB 1978
LACKEY, JAMES EMMETT CaIX on 2/11/2022 FAILURE TO COME UP/STAY IN POSITION	SACRAMENTO, CA FINED: \$50	YOB 1952
LONGO, GERALD CaIX on 2/11/2022 INTERFERENCE/ CAUSING ANOTHER HORSE TO MAKE A BREAK	RIVERSIDE, CA FINED: \$250 HORSE PLACED 7	YOB 1945
MORRILL, JAMES A JR PcD on 2/12/2022 INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION	ORCHARD PARK, NY FINED: \$200	YOB 1964
ROBINSON, JASON M Nfld on 1/8/2022 LATE DRIVER CHANGE MVR on 1/25/2022 FAILURE TO HONOR DECLARATION	WASHINGTON, PA FINED: \$100 FINED: \$300	YOB 1984
SOWERS, PHILIP BO MR on 2/14/2022 FAILURE TO HONOR DECLARATION	MONTICELLO, NY FINED: \$250	YOB 1971

THOMPSON, JASON R
Nfld on 2/8/2022
KICKING A HORSE

STOW, OH
FINED: \$300

YOB 1979

WRENN, PETER M
PPk on 2/14/2022
FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGRAMMED

CARMEL, IN
FINED: \$200

YOB 1962