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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE

In re: ) AWA Docket No. 09-0014  
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Patricia Dawdy, )  
                  ) Consent Decision  
                  ) and Order  
Respondent )

This proceeding was instituted under the Animal Welfare Act, as amended (7 U.S.C. § 2131 et seq.), by a complaint filed by the Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, United States Department of Agriculture, alleging that the respondent willfully violated the Act and the regulations and standards issued pursuant to the Act (9 C.F.R. § 1.1 et seq.). This decision is entered pursuant to the consent decision provisions of the Rules of Practice applicable to this proceeding (7 C.F.R. § 1.138).

The respondent admits the jurisdictional allegations in paragraph I of the complaint and specifically admits that the Secretary has jurisdiction in this matter, neither admits nor denies the remaining allegations, waives oral hearing and further procedure, and consents and agrees, for the purpose of settling this proceeding and for such purpose only, to the entry of this

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decision.

The complainant agrees to the entry of this decision.

#### Findings of Fact

A. Patricia Dawdy, hereinafter referred to as the respondent, is an individual with a current mailing address of 3410 N. Pointe Blvd., Little River, SC 29566.

B. The respondent, at all times material herein, was not a licensed exhibitor under the Act.

#### Conclusions

The respondent having admitted the jurisdictional facts and the parties having agreed to the entry of this decision, such decision will be entered.

#### Order

1. Respondent, her agents and employees, successors and assigns, directly or through any corporate or other device, shall cease and desist from violating the Act and the regulations and standards issued thereunder, and in particular, shall cease and desist from:

(a) Exhibiting animals without a license as required by the Act.

2. The respondent is assessed a civil penalty of \$2,250.00, all of which is to be held in abeyance provided that the respondent, after notice and opportunity for a hearing, is

not found to have violated the Animal Welfare Act or the regulations and standards issued thereunder for 3 years.

The provisions of this order shall become effective on the first day after service of this decision on the respondent.

Copies of this decision shall be served upon the parties.

  
Patricia Dawdy  
Respondent

  
Brian Hill  
Attorney for Complainant

Done at Washington, D.C.  
this 17th day of July, 2009.

  
Administrative Law Judge