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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE RECEIVED

In re:

Kevin Hall and	)	
Denise Calhoun,	)	
	)	HPA Docket No. 11-0199
	)	Consent Decision
Respondents.	)	and Order

This proceeding was instituted under the Horse Protection Act ("Act"), as amended (15 U.S.C. §§ 1821-1831), by a complaint filed by the Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, United States Department of Agriculture, alleging that the respondents violated the Act. 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).

Respondent Denise Calhoun 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 decision.

The complainant agrees to the entry of this decision.

Findings of Fact

- Respondent Denise Calhoun is an individual whose mailing address is 447 Gumbottom Road, Waco, Kentucky 40385. At all times mentioned herein said respondent was the owner of the horse known as "Label's Lucky Charm."

3. On April 30, 2010, respondent Denise Calhoun showed or exhibited the horse known as "Label's Lucky Charm" as entry number 140 in class number 9, at the Derby Classic Horse Show in Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

4. On April 30, 2010, respondent Denise Calhoun entered for the purpose of showing or exhibiting the horse known as "Label's Lucky Charm" as entry number 140 in class number 9, at the Derby Classic Horse Show in Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

5. On April 30, 2010, respondent Denise Calhoun allowed the entry for the purpose of showing or exhibiting the horse known as "Label's Lucky Charm" as entry number 140 in class number 9, at the Derby Classic Horse Show in Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

#### Conclusions

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

#### Order

Respondent Denise Calhoun is disqualified for one year from showing, exhibiting, or entering any horse, directly or indirectly through any agent, employee, or other device, and from judging, managing or otherwise participating in any horse show, horse exhibition, or horse sale or auction. "Participating" means engaging in any activity beyond that of a spectator, and includes, without limitation, transporting or arranging for the transportation of horses to or from equine events, personally giving instructions to exhibitors, being present in the warm-up or inspection areas, or in any area where spectators are not allowed, and financing the participation of others in equine events.

This order shall have the same effect as if entered after a full hearing and shall become effective on the first day after service of this decision on the respondents.

Copies of this decision shall be served upon the parties.

  
Denise Calhoun  
Respondent

  
Buren W. Kidd  
Attorney for Complainant

Done at Washington, D.C.  
this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2011

  
Administrative Law Judge