

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE



In re:) P & S Docket No. D-13-0363
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David Snell,)
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Respondent) Consent Decision

This proceeding was instituted under the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921, as amended and supplemented (7 U.S.C. § 181 et seq.), (the Act), by a Complaint filed by the Deputy Administrator, Packers and Stockyards Program, Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA), United States Department of Agriculture, alleging that Respondent willfully 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 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.

Complainant agrees to the entry of this decision.

Findings of Fact

1. David Snell, Respondent, is an individual. Respondent's business mailing address is 161 Highway 769 Loop, Somerset, Kentucky 42501.
2. Respondent, at all times material herein, was:
 - (1) Engaged in the business of buying and selling livestock in commerce for

his own account as a dealer; and

(2) Not registered with the Secretary of Agriculture as a dealer to buy and sell livestock in commerce for his own account.

Conclusions

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

Order

1. Respondent, his agents and employees, directly or through any corporate or other device, in connection with activities subject to the Act, shall cease and desist from engaging in business as a dealer buying and selling on commission without a bond and registration as required by section 201.29 of the Regulations (9 C.F.R § 201.29) and section 303 of the Act (7 U.S.C. 203).

2. Respondent shall keep and maintain accounts, records and memoranda which fully and correctly disclose the true nature of all transactions involved in his livestock business as required by section 401 of the Act (7 U.S.C. § 221), including but not limited to accounts receivable and payable ledgers, lists of all cattle purchased and sold, load make up records for livestock purchases and sales, cancelled checks and/or check images, deposit slips, invoices, credit agreements, purchase and sale contracts, scales tickets, and trucking/freight records.

3. In accordance with section 312(b) of the Act (7 U.S.C. 213(b)), Respondent is assessed a civil penalty of \$3,000.00.

The provisions of this order shall become effective on the sixth day after service of this order on the Respondent.

Copies of this decision shall be served upon the parties.

Issued in Washington D.C.

this 26 day of NOV, 2013

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Administrative Law Judge

Jill S. Clifton

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David Snell
Respondent

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