

# COMPLAINT

CASE NUMBER: **22SA0092**

The CHRB hereby files a complaint against **Richard Baltas** for violation of CHRB Rule **1843.5 (23 counts), 1887(a) (23 counts), and 1902 (1 count)**. The person named in this complaint holds a license as a **trainer**, license number **232550-05/2022**. The offense alleged occurred on or about **4/15/2022 to 5/8/2022** and is as follows:

**Between the dates of 4/15/2022 to 5/8/2022, 23 horses trained by RICHARD BALTAS were administered a substance on days they were entered into races. Surveillance video captured all administrations by employees of BALTAS' barn. The substance was analyzed by Universtiy of California, Davis, who reported the presence of Higenamine and Paeonol.**

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Section 19420, 19440, and CHRB Rules, the stewards are empowered to impose penalties for violation of any provision of the CHRB Rules. Such penalties may consist of suspension of any license, fines, and exclusion from all racing enclosures under the jurisdiction of the Board or by any combination of these penalties.

Date : <b>6/21/2022</b>	Complainant : <b>CHRB</b>
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## NOTICE TO APPEAR

To **Richard Baltas** you are hereby notified to appear before the Board of Stewards at the below listed location, date, and time.

Location: <b>Los Alamitos</b>	Date: <b>7/1/2022</b>	Time: <b>10:00 a.m.</b>
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You are entitled to reasonable notice of the hearing and reasonable time to prepare for the hearing. If you need additional time to prepare for the hearing, you must contact the Board of Stewards within 72 hours of receipt of this notice. All requests for a continuance must be in writing. You should be prepared to justify your request for additional time. Granting or denial of a request for additional time is within the sound discretion of the stewards. The hearing will be conducted in accordance with the GOVERNING PROCEDURES FOR HEARING BEFORE THE BOARD OF STEWARDS, a copy of which is attached to this Complaint and Notice to Appear.

Investigator <b>Michael Barker</b>	Date <b>June 21, 2022</b>
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DISPOSITION OF CASE

The stewards have taken the following action on CASE NUMBER: **22SA0092**

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