STATE OF CALIFORNIA
CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD
CHRB 65 (Rev 1-23)

# OFFICIAL COMPLAINT

The California Horse Racing Board (CHRB) hereby files an official complaint against Susan Hunter for violation of CHRB Rule(s) 1530, 1874 & 1930.

The person named in this complaint is licensed by the CHRB as a Vendor/Horse Transporter, under license number 402190-10/2023. The alleged offense occurred on or about 07/28/2023 and is described as follows:

ACFA Security Officer Ghatol Samayee, who is assigned to the main entry/exit gate to the barns & backside of the fairgrounds, informed CHRB investigators that Horse Transporter Susan Hunter berated, yelled, and was argumentative while she was at the security gate. Security Officer Samayee was carrying out her tasked responsibilities of verifying the identity of the horses that were being transported in and out of the grounds. Transporter Hunter yelled tirades of "Go to hell" and "Open up the damn gate!" Transporter Hunter later admitted to losing her temper and berating the security officer.

Pursuant to California Business and Professions Code Sections 19420 and 19440, as well as the authority outlined in the CHRB Rules, the Board of Stewards are empowered to impose penalties for violations of any provision of a CHRB Rule, or HISA Rule, where authorized. Such penalties may include suspension of any CHRB-issued license, monetary fine, assessment of penalty points, and/or exclusion from any/all racing enclosures under the jurisdiction of the Board, or any combination of the penalties listed above.

Investigator Name: J. Smith #14 Date of Filing: 07/30/2023 Case Number: 23BM0036

## NOTICE TO APPEAR

You are hereby ordered to appear before the Board of Stewards as noted below.

Location: Stewards Office, Golden Gate Fields Date: SATURDAY, 09/16/2023 Time: 10:30 A.M.

You are entitled to reasonable notice of this hearing and reasonable time to prepare for the hearing. If you require 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 continuance must be submitted in writing and fully justify the need for continuance. The granting or denial of a request for continuance rests with the Board of Stewards. The hearing will be conducted in accordance with the attached “Governing Procedures for Hearing Before the Board of Stewards.”

## DECLARATION OF SERVICE

☐ In Person ■ Certified Mail (Tracking #): 7019-0140-0000-1586-8033 ☐ Other:

Documents Served: ■ Complaint Packet ■ Governing Procedures ■ Other: Investigative Report

Served By: (Mailed) CHRB Investigator J. Smith #14 Date: 08/18/2023 Time: USPS ☐ 10 Day Time Waived

## DISPOSITION

The Board of Stewards took the following action on the aforementioned case.

☐ Ruling Issued ☐ Formal Warning ☐ Case Dismissed ☐ Withdrawn

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