

COMPLAINT

CASE NUMBER: 20SA0243

The CHRB hereby files a complaint against **Douglas O'Neill** for violation of CHRB Rule **1843(a)(b)(d), 1843.1(b), 1844(d)(4), and 1887(a)**. The person named in this complaint holds a license as a **TRAINER**, license number **112723-05/2023**. The offense alleged occurred on or about **October 9, 2020** and is as follows:

The official blood sample # SA32132 taken on October 9, 2020 at Santa Anita was reported by Ben Moeller, PhD of the Maddy EACL of UC Davis Laboratories to contain 3-hydroxy Lidocaine (155 pg/ml), a metabolite of Lidocaine. This sample was obtained from the horse, "Howbeit" which ran in the 7th race at Santa Anita finishing 2nd. The concentration of 3-hydroxy-lidocaine (155 pg/ml) exceeds the authorized medication limit of 20 picograms per milliliter and is a prohibited drug substance, Class 2 with a Penalty Category B. The split analysis confirmed the positive test. The trainer of record is Douglas O'Neill.

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 :	Complainant : CHRB
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NOTICE TO APPEAR

To **Douglas O'Neill** you are hereby notified to appear before the Board of Stewards at the below listed location, date, and time.

Location:	Date:	Time:
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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	Date
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DISPOSITION OF CASE

The stewards have taken the following action on CASE NUMBER: **20SA0243**

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