

# COMPLAINT

CASE NUMBER: 20SA0238

The CHRB hereby files a complaint against **John Sadler, Micheal Cline (stable name Lane's End Racing), Pete Hronis (stable name Hronis Racing LLC) and Jose "Victor" Espinoza** for violation of CHRB Rule **1859.5**. The person named in this complaint holds a license as a **Trainer, Owner, Owner and Jockey**, license number **070670-07/2023, 294699-06/2021 and 320555-12/2020, 303306-10/2021 and 303313-12/2021 and 224499-05/2023** respectively. The offense alleged occurred on or about **September 27, 2020** and is as follows:

**The official urine sample #SA32049 taken on September 27, 2020, reported by Ben Moeller of the Equine Analytical Chemistry Laboratory at UC Davis, was found to contain Clodronic Acid (Osphos). The sample was obtained from the horse "Flagstaff" who ran in the 8th race at Santa Anita and finished 2nd. The trainer of record is John Sadler. A split sample was requested and the split sample confirmed the original finding of the drug substance Clodronic Acid (Osphos) in accordance with Rule 1859.25. Clodronic Acid (Osphos) is considered a prohibited drug substance Class 1 Penalty Category A. The trainer is John Sadler. The owners are Michael Cline (Lane's End) and Pete Hronis (Hronis Racing, LLC) and the jockey is Jose "Victor" Expinoza. Per Rule 1859.5 the horse shall be disqualified and any purse money forfeited.**

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.

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## NOTICE TO APPEAR

To **John Sadler et.al.** 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: **20SA0238**

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