

Ontario Racing Commission

RULING NUMBER COM SB 030/2015

### COMMISSION HEARING

TORONTO, ONTARIO - DECEMBER 15, 2015

## NOTICE OF DECISION

## IN THE MATTER OF THE RACING COMMISSION ACT, S.O. 2000, c.20; AND IN THE MATTER OF THE APPEAL AND HEARING OF DR. IAN MOORE and CHRIS CHRISTOFOROU AGAINST RULING SB 47903

Date of Hearing:

December 15, 2015

ORC Panel:

John W. Macdonald, Commissioner

Representative for the Appellant:

Agent for the Administration:

David Stewart

Self-represented

Decision:

The Panel denied the appeal.

A transcript with the Panel's oral Reasons for Decision is attached to this Notice.

DATED at Toronto this 17<sup>th</sup> day of December 2015.

Jean Major Executive Director

#### ONTARIO RACING COMMISSION

#### STANDARDBRED HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF THE RACING COMMISSION ACT, 2000, S.O. C.20 AND THE RULES OF STANDARDBRED RACING:

# AND IN THE MATTER OF AN APPEAL AND REQUEST FOR HEARING OF **DR. IAN MOORE and CHRIS CHRISTOFOROU**:

Held Before:

John Macdonald

Commissioner

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These are an excerpt of the proceedings in the above mentioned matter held before The Ontario Racing Commission, Re: **DR. IAN MOORE and CHRIS CHRISTOFOROU**, taken before Toronto Court Reporters, Suite 1410, 65 Queen Street West, Toronto, Ontario, at 10 Carlson Court, Suite 400, Toronto, Ontario, on the 15th day of December, 2015.

Appearances:

David Stewart,

Agent for the Ontario Racing Commission Administration

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Hearing continued ...

1	MR. CHAIRMAN: The difficulty here is that the rule, even though it wasn't a full on
2	break, not what I would have expected to see, it was a break and again we are arguing over
3	the placing and I understand the position of the appellant because it wasn't a full on break
4	and it was just happening at the wire. As I indicated earlier I would expect that with a trotter
5	or two but not a pacer of the ability of this horse as it has shown over the last two years and
6	Mr. Stewart, while there is some aspect of it might be frivolous there are other cases that are
7	a little different. The real penalty here is the loss of the placing money. I feel that under the
8	current rules whether there is a partial break or a full on break it is not part of the decision
9	making process and it was a lapped on break so I am going to deny the appeal and keep the
10	order of finish as shown and have the horse finishing 5 <sup>th</sup> and placed 6 <sup>th</sup> .
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