

Dixie Lineman), for the purpose of showing the horse, in class 78 in a horse show in Shelbyville, Tennessee.

Conclusion of Law

Respondent Chad Thompson having admitted the findings of fact set forth above, and the parties having agreed to the entry of this decision, such decision will be entered.

Order

1. Respondent Chad Thompson is disqualified for six months, beginning November 1, 2017, and ending April 30, 2018, from showing, exhibiting, or entering any horse, directly or indirectly through any agent, employee, or other device, and from judging, managing or otherwise participating¹ in any horse show, horse exhibition, or horse sale or auction, directly or indirectly through any agent, employee, or other device.

2. Respondent Chad Thompson is assessed a civil penalty of \$1,100, which shall be paid by November 1, 2017, by check made payable to USDA/APHIS, indicating that the payment is in reference to HPA Docket No. 17-0079, and sent to:

USDA, APHIS, MISCELLANEOUS
P.O. Box 979043
St. Louis, Missouri 63197-9000

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¹"Participating" means engaging in any activity beyond that of a spectator in connection with a horse show, horse exhibition, or horse sale or auction, and includes, without limitation, transporting or arranging for the transportation of horses to or from equine events, personally giving instructions to exhibitors, being present in the warm-up or inspection areas, or in any area where spectators are not allowed, and financing the participation of others in equine events.

The provisions of this order shall become final and effective November 1, 2017. This order may be executed in counterparts. Copies of this decision shall be served upon the parties.

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Chad Thompson
Respondent

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Thomas B. Kakassy
Attorney for Respondent

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Colleen A. Carroll
Attorney for Complainant

Done at Washington, D.C.,
this 30th day of October 2017

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Acting Chief ALJ

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Bobbie J. McCartney
Chief Administrative Law Judge