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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE

In re:	)	HPA Docket 15-0021
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E. LINCOLN "LINK" WEBB,	)	
an individual,	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	
	)	
<hr/> In re:	)	HPA Docket 16-0018
	)	
LINCOLN WEBB, an individual	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	
<hr/>	)	CONSENT DECISION AND ORDER

These proceedings were instituted under the Horse Protection Act (15 U.S.C. § 1821 *et seq.*)(HPA or Act), by complaints filed by the Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, United States Department of Agriculture (APHIS), on October 31, 2014, and October 22, 2015, respectively, alleging that the respondent violated the Act. This decision is entered pursuant to the consent decision provisions of the Rules of Practice applicable to this proceeding (7 C.F.R. § 1.138).

Respondent admits the jurisdictional allegations in the complaints, specifically admits that the Secretary has jurisdiction in this matter, neither admits nor denies the remaining allegations, and waives oral hearing and further procedure. The parties consent and agree to the entry of this decision for the purpose of settling these proceedings and resolving any and all other alleged or potential violations of the Act occurring up to and including July 27, 2017.

Findings of Fact

1. Respondent Lincoln Webb, also known as "Link" Webb, is an individual whose business address is in Tennessee. Mr. Webb's legal name is Lincoln Eugene Webb. At all

times mentioned herein, Mr. Webb was a "person" and an "exhibitor," as those terms are defined in the regulations promulgated under the Act (9 C.F.R. Parts 11 and 12).

2. On or about August 26, 2012, respondent showed a horse (Splashing at the Ritz) in class 91B in a horse show in Shelbyville, Tennessee.

3. On or about October 25, 2013, respondent showed a horse (Wee Wee Man) in class 4 in a horse show in Clemson, South Carolina.

4. On or about August 27, 2014, respondent entered a horse (Push to Win) for showing in class 131B in a horse show in Shelbyville, Tennessee.

#### Conclusion of Law

Respondent 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 is disqualified for two years, beginning September 4, 2017, and ending September 3, 2019, from showing, exhibiting, or entering any horse, directly or indirectly through any agent, employee, or other device, and from judging, managing or otherwise participating<sup>1</sup> in any horse show, horse exhibition, or horse sale or auction, directly or indirectly through any agent, employee, or other device.

2. Respondent is assessed a civil penalty of \$4,000, which shall be paid by September 4, 2018, by check (or checks) made payable to USDA/APHIS, indicating that the payment is in

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<sup>1</sup>"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.



reference to HPA Dockets Nos. 15-0021 and 16-0018, and sent to:

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St. Louis, Missouri 63197-9000

The provisions of this order shall become final and effective on July 27, 2017. This order may be executed in counterparts. Copies of this decision shall be served upon the parties.


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Lincoln Webb  
Respondent

  
Thomas B. Kakassy  
Attorney for Respondent

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Colleen A. Carroll  
Attorney for Complainant

Done at Washington, D.C.,  
this 28 day of July 2017

  
Jill S. Clifton  
Administrative Law Judge

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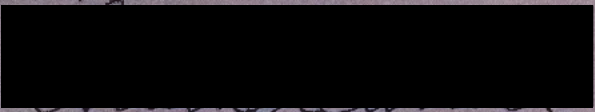
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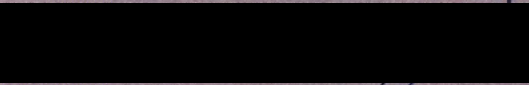
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Dear Hearing Clerk:

Two documents I issued are attached to be FILED:

- (1) Hearing Cancellation
- (2) Consent Decision and Order

Thank you, Jill S. Clifton U.S. Administrative Law Judge



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