



COMMISSION HEARING

TORONTO, ONTARIO – AUGUST 28, 2012

**IN THE MATTER OF THE RACING COMMISSION ACT S.O. 2000, c.20;
AND IN THE MATTER OF THE APPEAL AND REQUEST FOR HEARING BY
STANDBRED LICENSEE HANNAH BECKETT**

On July 20, 2012, the Judges issued Official Ruling SB 44531 wherein the horse "Rubaiyat" owned and trained by Hannah Beckett ("BECKETT") was placed from second position to third for being on a break at the finish and lapped by another horse in the second race on July 13, 2012 at Woodstock Raceway.

On July 14, 2012, BECKETT filed a Notice of Appeal, pursuant to Rule 24.01 (b) of the Rules of Standardbred Racing.

On August 28, 2012, a Panel of the Ontario Racing Commission ("ORC"), comprised of Chair Rod Seiling, convened for the purpose of hearing this matter.

Brian Newton appeared on behalf of the Administration for the ORC. BECKETT attended the hearing in person and was self represented.

Upon reviewing the evidence, and hearing the testimony of Senior Judge Larry Hughes, reviewing the exhibits filed and considering the closing submissions, the Panel allowed the appeal. The horse "Rubaiyat" was deemed to be on stride at the finish of the race.

The order of finish shall be restored to the following:

- 1st) "Burrs N Bling"
- 2nd) "Rubaiyat"
- 3rd) "Missing You"
- 4th) "Pickmup N Putmdown"
- 5th) "Cominallright"
- 6th) "Grabbingattention"
- 7th) "Famous Christine"
- 8th) "Peppermill"

A transcript of the Panel's Oral Reasons for Decision is attached to this Ruling.

Dated at Toronto, Ontario this 11th day of September 2012.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION


John L. Blakney
Executive Director

ONTARIO RACING COMMISSION

STANDARD BRED HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF AN APPEAL AND REQUEST FOR HEARING OF

HANNAH BECKETT

Held Before:

Rod Seiling, Chairman

These are an excerpt of the proceedings in the above mentioned matter held before The Ontario Racing Commission, Re: **HANNAH BECKETT**, taken before Toronto Court Reporters, Suite 1410, 65 Queen Street West, Toronto, Ontario, at 10 Carlson Court, Suite 400, Toronto, Ontario, on the 28th day of August, 2012.

Appearances:

Brian Newton,

agent for the Ontario Racing
Commission Administration

1 Hearing continued ...

2 MR. CHAIRMAN: Please be seated. The issue is did the appellant - actually did the
3 horse RUBAIYAT violate Rule 22.09 on July 13th, 2012 at Woodstock Raceway. After
4 carefully listening to the testimony, reviewing the evidence and documents filed the panel
5 accepts the appeal. Based on the evidence it is reasonable to conclude that RUBAIYAT was
6 on stride, on the balance of probabilities. Based on the photo Exhibit 2 it is reasonable to
7 conclude the horse was on stride when it crossed the finish line. Thank you.

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