

**RULING****Massachusetts State Racing Commission****PLAINRIDGE PARK, MA - US****NAME:** Vartan M Krikorian**USTA No:** 108K09**YEAR OF BIRTH:** 1977**STATE LIC ID:** 29093**RULING NO.:** 125-24**USTA REF #:** 1-75TY-5CUS **ACTION DATE:** 11/14/2024 **INFRACTION DATE:** 10/25/2024**REASON CODE:** PTH1

Positive test- post race

STATE: MA - US**RACE NO:** 11**FINISH:** 2**HORSE:** NORTHERN SULTAN (No: 8RM055 - Gender: G - YOF: 2017 - ROYALTY FOR LIFE
- DOVER MISS - ANDOVER HALL)**PHARMACEUTICALS**

Methocarbamol (Class 4, Robaxin)

PENALTY DESCRIPTION

Horse Disqualified, Purse Redistribution

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

905 CMR 3.29 (2)(f). On 11/11/2024 at PRC, Industrial Labs reported to the Massachusetts Gaming Commission/Racing Division the post race test result of blood Sample E551406 collected on 10/25/2024 from the horse NORTHERN SULTAN in Race 11 at Plainridge Park and finished 2nd. The report revealed the presence of Methocarbamol confirmed in blood at 1.72 ng/mL. The uncertainty of the method is 0.15 ng/mL at the threshold of 1 ng/mL. Trainer Vartan Krikorian was notified on 11/12/2024 and waived his right to both a split sample and a formal hearing. Mitigating factors were used in rendering this decision. The horse NORTHERN SULTAN finished 2nd and is disqualified. The purse monies won or \$3,150.00 is hereby ordered forfeited and returned for redistribution. The purse monies forfeited are to be returned on or before 11/23/2024.

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Judges/Stewards

Vartan M Krikorian