

**RULING****Massachusetts State Racing Commission****PLAINRIDGE PARK, MA - US****NAME:** Paul K Mc Hugh**USTA No:** 5139K9**YEAR OF BIRTH:** 1950**STATE LIC ID:** 25083**RULING NO.:** 045-23**USTA REF #:** 1-1UTX-58SM **ACTION DATE:** 6/13/2023 **INFRACTION DATE:** 5/22/2023**REASON CODE:** PTH1

Positive test- post race

**STATE:** MA - US**RACE NO:** 4**FINISH:** 2**HORSE:** TOPOLINO (No: 3S8211 - Gender: G - YOF: 2018 - TEAM SIX - SCHALYN - PEGASUS SPUR)**PHARMACEUTICALS**

Albuterol (Salbutamol) (Class 3, Proventil, Ventolin)

**PENALTY DESCRIPTION**

Fined: \$2,500, Suspended: Full - 60 days, 6/14/2023 thru 8/12/2023, Horse Disqualified, Purse Redistribution

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

205 CMR 3.29. On 06/07/2023 Industrial Laboratories reported to the Mass Gaming Commission/Racing Division the Post-Race result of Urine Sample E545004 collected from the horse TOPOLINO on 05/22/2023 who competed in Race 4 at Plainridge Park Racecourse and finished 2nd. It revealed the presence of Albuterol in the urine at Approximately 58.2 ng/mL. The measurement of the method is 0.12 ng/mL at the threshold of 1 ng/mL. After waiving his right to a split sample, a hearing was conducted on 06/12/2023. As a result licensee, trainer of record Paul McHugh is hereby issued a full suspension for a period of 60 days, beginning 06/14/2023 through and including 08/12/2023. In addition Mr. McHugh is fined the sum of \$2,500.00. The horse is disqualified from 2nd and the purse money won or \$3,750.00 is hereby ordered forfeited, returned and redistributed. The purse money forfeited and the fine is to be returned by 06/19/2023. Any and all trainer changes must be approved by the PRC Board of Judges.

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Paul K Mc Hugh