

State of Texas
Texas Racing Commission

Official Ruling # RETA2296

of the

Board of Stewards

RETAMA PARK

OWNER-TRAINER	KEETON, CINDI	License #	133647
Ruling Date:	10/16/2012	Violation Date:	07/14/2012
Redistribute Purse:	Yes		

Rules Violated:

319.3	DRUG POSITIVE OR PERMITTED MEDICATION VIOLATION
319.302	REASONABLE OVERSIGHT OF ANIMAL
311.104	TRAINER/ABSOLUTE INSURER

Upon being duly notified, Trainer Cindi Keeton appeared in a hearing before the Lone Star Park Board of Stewards on 10/13/12. After consideration of the evidence and testimony presented, Cindi Keeton is hereby suspended fifteen calendar days (10/22/12 thru 11/05/12) and fined seven hundred fifty dollars for Clenbuterol in the test sample (#RP030934) collected from the horse TEXASINDEPENDENCEGAL, the second place finisher in the seventh race at Retama Park on 07/14/12. The seventh race at Retama Park on 07/14/12 was a trial heat and qualified TEXASINDEPENDENCEGAL for the Retama Park Derby on 07/28/12 in which the horse finished in second place.

During the term of this suspension Cindi Keeton is denied access to all facilities under the jurisdiction of the Texas Racing Commission. Horses owned or trained by Cindi Keeton are denied entry pending sale or transfer to a party approved by the Board of Stewards.

TEXASINDEPENDENCEGAL is hereby disqualified and declared unplaced from the seventh race at Retama Park on 07/14/12 and the eighth race at Retama Park on 07/28/12 with the purses to be redistributed as follows:

Seventh Race 07/14/12

1. Wagon Empire
2. Miss Lady Savona
3. Classic Wagon
4. A Game Dame
5. Firstprizegol
6. Arco Special
7. Grey Embers

Unplaced: Texasindependencegalegal

Eighth Race 07/28/12

1. Jess Fly With Me
 2. Paint Me Quickid
 3. Wagon Empire
 4. Disonecandash
 5. A Royal Treatment
 6. A Game Dame
 7. Lalia
 8. Classic Wagon
 9. Miss Lady Savona
- Unplaced: Texasindependencegalegal

By Order of the Board of Stewards

DENNIS SIDENER
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Supplement # 1

10/23/2012

On October 19, 2012, Cindi Michelle Keeton filed an appeal of RETA 2296, with an accompanying request for a stay of the suspension. Executive Director Trout determined that the rationale offered in support of the request for stay did not demonstrate that the stay would be interest of justice under Rule 307.68. He therefore denied the request.

Trey Malechek, attorney for Ms. Keeton, contacted Mr. Trout and reasserted the request for a stay. He asked for the stay so that he could investigate the manner of testing and the results. Mr. Trout offered a one week stay so that Mr. Malecheck could examine the litigation materials and point out any deficiencies. After consulting with Ms. Keeton, Mr. Malechek instead withdrew the appeal of RETA 2296 and elected to accept the original penalty and suspension.

The \$150 appeal bond will be returned to Ms. Keeton.