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APPEAL RESULT

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FROM: Registrar – Racing Appeals and Disciplinary Board

DATE: 3 March 2015

SUBJECT: APPEAL HEARING RESULT – JOCKEY: DAMIEN OLIVER

Panel Judge Russell Lewis (Chair), Mr Chris Fox, Mr Jeremy Rosenthal.

Appearances Mr John Didham appeared on behalf of Mr Oliver.

Mr Terry Bailey appeared on behalf of the stewards.

At Caulfield on Saturday 28 February 2015, jockey Damien Oliver was found guilty of a charge of careless riding on his mount *Armada* in Race 1 the *William Hill Zeditave Stakes* (Group 3, 1200m).

The careless riding being that approaching the 800m he permitted his mount to shift in when insufficiently clear of *Rommel* resulting in that horse being checked which in turn tightened the running of *Onerous*, resulting in *Onerous* being hampered and shifting in and having to take up a position on the fence.

Mr Oliver had his licence to ride in races suspended for a period of 8 race meetings, commencing midnight Saturday 28 February 2015 and expiring midnight Saturday 7 March 2015.

In assessing penalty Stewards took into account the incident was in the low range.

A Notice of Appeal against **the decision and severity of the penalty** was lodged on Sunday, 1 March 2015. A stay of proceedings was not required.

DECISION: Appeal dismissed. Penalty to remain standing.