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## **HEARING RESULT**

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**FROM:** Registrar – Racing Appeals and Disciplinary Board

**DATE:** 24 June 2014

SUBJECT: HEARING RESULT – STABLE EMPLOYEE & PICNIC JOCKEY:

**DANIEL NOLL** 

**Panel** Judge Russell Lewis (Chair), Mr Geoff Ellis, Ms Sara Hinchey.

**Appearances** Mr Noll appeared on his own behalf, assisted by Mr Des O'Keeffe.

Mr Corie Waller appeared on behalf of the Stewards.

<u>Charge</u> Breach of AR 175(q)

The Committee of any Club or the Stewards may penalise any person who in their opinion is guilty of any misconduct, improper conduct or

unseemly behaviour.

The charge relates to an incident that took place on 26 November 2013

between Mr Noll and licensed trainer Ricky Maund.

Plea Guilty.

**Decision** Mr Noll convicted and his licence to ride in races suspended for a period

of 12 months.

However, the Board orders that Mr Noll is permitted to ride track work

during this 12 month period.

# TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

## RACING APPEALS AND DISCIPLINARY BOARD

HIS HONOUR JUDGE R.P.L. LEWIS, Chairman MR G. ELLIS MS S. HINCHEY

## **EXTRACT OF PROCEEDINGS**

#### **DECISION**

## STABLE EMPLOYEE AND PICNIC JOCKEY: DANIEL NOLL

#### **MELBOURNE**

**TUESDAY, 24 JUNE 2014** 

MR C. WALLER appeared on behalf of the RVL Stewards

MR D. NOLL appeared on his own behalf, assisted by Mr D. O'Keeffe

CHAIRMAN: There is no doubt that the incident which occurred in the afternoon of 26 November 2013 was a serious breach of the rule, AR 175(q). It was a vicious assault in which Mr Maund was kicked in the region of the head and punched in the head. It was premeditated, but having said that, it is clear that Mr Noll was in a state of agitation following an episode which occurred earlier that day.

Normally, in a case like this, albeit where the person charged pleads guilty, there would be a very significant penalty levied. However, the matters put before the Board by Mr O'Keeffe indicate that Mr Noll has had a tragic upbringing, had suffered some years ago as a young boy a brain injury, has had behavioural problems and finds it very difficult to cope with life. He has had the unfortunate experience of just having completed three months in the open prison system.

Nevertheless, as member Ms Hinchey has said, Mr Noll presents as an impressive person and the Board is of the view that all is not lost, although it is going to be a very hard road for Mr Noll to hoe. In all the circumstances, the Board feels that he is entitled to a chance because his only chance apparently of doing any good in life is to be in the racing industry and therefore the Board is minded to ensure that he has that chance to make something of himself.

In all the circumstances, the Board suspends Daniel Noll's licence to ride for a period of 12 months, but having said that, orders that he be entitled to ride trackwork in that 12-month period. That will ensure that he has some form of

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income which will enable him to cope better with what can only be described as a very difficult situation.

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