



HEARING RESULT

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FROM: Registrar – Racing Appeals and Disciplinary Board

DATE: 14 July 2015

SUBJECT: **HEARING RESULT – TRAINERS IN PARTNERSHIP:
MATTHEW ELLERTON AND SIMON ZAHRA**

Heard By Judge Russell Lewis (Chair).

Appearances Mr Simon Zahra appeared on behalf of the training partnership of Matthew Ellerton & Simon Zahra.

Mr James Ogilvy appeared on behalf of the stewards.

Charge Breach of AR 178

Subject to AR 178G, when any horse that has been brought to a racecourse for the purpose of engaging in a race and a prohibited substance is detected in any sample taken from it prior to or following its running in any race, the trainer and any other person who was in charge of such horse at any relevant time may be penalised.

The particulars of the charge being that a prohibited substance, Clenbuterol, was detected in a post-race urine sample taken from the horse *Epic Saga* following its win in Race 6 the *Tatura Cup* (1600m) at Tatura on Saturday, 4 April 2015.

Plea Guilty.

Decision Mr Ellerton and Mr Zahra as trainers in partnership convicted and fined \$1,000 – fine due on or before 31 July 2015.

Pursuant to AR 177, *Epic Saga* disqualified as winner of Race 6 the *Tatura Cup* (1600m) at Tatura on Saturday, 4 April 2015 and the places amended accordingly.
