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Thoroughbred Trainer – Troy Blacker

Office of Racing Integrity Stewards have concluded an inquiry regarding disqualified Thoroughbred Trainer Mr Troy Blacker placing bets on 14 July 2018 through a betting account, which contravenes AR.182.(1)(k),

AR.182.(1) Except with the consent of the Principal Racing Authority that imposed the disqualification, and upon such conditions that they may in their discretion impose, a person disqualified pursuant to these Rules must not, during the period of that disqualification:

(k) Open a betting account, operate an existing betting account, transact a bet or have a bet transacted on his/her behalf, have an interest in or share in any bet, receive a benefit from any bet placed with a licensed wagering operator in connection with any thoroughbred race meeting held in Australia.

After considering submissions made on behalf of Mr Blacker via his solicitor, Stewards determined to invoke the conditions set out in AR.182.(5), and directed that Mr Blacker's disqualification to recommence from the date of the contravention, 14 July 2018 and will now expire midnight 13 January 2019.

AR.182.(5) Unless otherwise determined by the Principal Racing Authority that imposed the penalty, the period of disqualification of any person who contravenes any of the provisions of rule AR.182.(1), shall automatically recommence as from the most recent date of such contravention, and the person may also be subject to further penalty.

In not invoking any further penalty, Stewards took into account Mr Blacker's co-operation, the nature of the bets and the number of bets placed and amount wagered.

Scott Quill
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