

# COMPLAINT

CASE NUMBER: 22SA0026

The CHRB hereby files a complaint against **Robert "Bob" Baffert** for violation of CHRB Rule **1484**. The person named in this complaint holds a license as a **Trainer and Owner**, license number **087698 and 098823**.

The offense alleged occurred on or about **2/21/2022** and

is as follows:

**On 2/21/2022 Trainer Robert Baffert was suspended by the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission for 90 days, originally commencing March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022. The suspension was the result of a medication positive of betamethasone from horse Medina Spirit on May 1st, 2021, which finished 1<sup>st</sup> that day at Churchill Downs in the 12<sup>th</sup> race. After appeals were denied, the original Kentucky ruling was confirmed and the suspension is to be in effect April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022 to July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022. Per rule 1484 any licensee of the California Horse Racing Board suspended by any competent racing jurisdiction, shall be suspended by the California Horse Racing Board for the same term.**

**On April 1st, 2022, by mutual agreement with CHRB and through counsel, Mr. Baffert waived any notice periods applicable for any hearing on this Complaint.**

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Section 19420, 19440, and CHRB Rules, the stewards are empowered to impose penalties for violation of any provision of the CHRB Rules. Such penalties may consist of suspension of any license, fines, and exclusion from all racing enclosures under the jurisdiction of the Board or by any combination of these penalties.

Date : <b>4/1/2022</b>	Complainant : <b>CHRB</b>
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## NOTICE TO APPEAR

To **Robert "Bob" Baffert** you are hereby notified to appear before the Board of Stewards at the below listed location, date, and time.

Location: <b>Santa Anita</b>	Date:	Time:
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You are entitled to reasonable notice of the hearing and reasonable time to prepare for the hearing. If you need additional time to prepare for the hearing, you must contact the Board of Stewards within 72 hours of receipt of this notice. All requests for a continuance must be in writing. You should be prepared to justify your request for additional time. Granting or denial of a request for additional time is within the sound discretion of the stewards. The hearing will be conducted in accordance with the GOVERNING PROCEDURES FOR HEARING BEFORE THE BOARD OF STEWARDS, a copy of which is attached to this Complaint and Notice to Appear.

Investigator

Date

**4/01/2022**

DISPOSITION OF CASE

The stewards have taken the following action on CASE NUMBER: **22SA0026**

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