

GREYHOUND WELFARE & INTEGRITY COMMISSION DISCIPLINARY ACTION DECISION

Date of decision: 2 October 2024

Decision-makers: Dean Degan and Craig Easey

Name of relevant person: Jamie O'Malley

Track: N/A

Date: 5 June 2024

Rule no.: 156 (o)

Charge(s): Mr O'Malley made a false statement in relation to a registration

application to a staff member of the Commission.

Plea: Not guilty

Disciplinary action taken: 9-month disqualification

DECISION

- 1. Jamie O'Malley was at all relevant times, a registered owner/trainer and breeder with the Greyhound Welfare and Integrity Commission ("**Commission**").
- 2. On 13 September 2024, following an investigation by the Commission, a Notice of charge and proposed disciplinary action ("**Notice**") was issued to Jamie O'Malley. The Notice issued one charge under Rule 156 (o) alleging breaches of the following:

Rule 156

An offence is committed if a person (including an official):

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- (o) makes or publishes any statement known by the person to be false where the publication is to:
 - (i) a member of a Controlling Body;
 - (ii) an officer of a Controlling Body;
 - (iii) an employee of a Controlling Body; or
 - (iv) an officiating veterinarian or official in the course of them performing their functions.
- 3. Jamie O'Malley attended a hearing on 2 October 2024 with the decision makers. At the hearing, Jamie O'Malley pleaded not guilty to the charge, and made submissions that he was unaware that he had a criminal record.
- 4. The decision makers found the charge proven and took the following disciplinary action against Jamie O'Malley:

To disqualify Jamie O'Malley for 9-months.

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- Mr O'Malley's plea of not guilty
- Mr O'Malley's time in the industry, being a period of over 20 years with no prior breaches under this rule.

•	Greyhound racing penalty precedents in NSW.
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