

to be trotted this day on this course, and the same that has been protested, and to which protest this affidavit is in answer, hereby declare and affirm that to the best of my knowledge and belief, said before mentioned horse is eligible to start or compete in the race aforesaid; and that I fully believe all the provisions and conditions required in the rules and regulations for the government of trials of speed over this course were fully and honestly complied with in making the entry aforesaid.

Given under my hand at.....this.....  
day of.....A.D. 188 .

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Subscribed and sworn to before me, this.....  
day of.....A.D. 188 .

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*Justice of the Peace.*

[NOTE.—In the absence of a Justice of the Peace, if this oath be administered by an officer of the Association, or one of the Judges of the race, it will be considered sufficient for the purposes of the National Association.]

#### RULE 17.—WHEN HORSES SHALL NOT BE DRAWN.

SEC. 1. No horse shall be drawn except by permission of the Judges of the race, unless at or before seven o'clock p.m. of the day preceding the race (omitting Sunday) the proper party shall have lodged with the President, Secretary, or proprietor of the course, a written notice, or notice by telegraph, of his intention not to start, after which notice the horse so drawn shall be ineligible to start in the race. For a violation of the requirement herein a fine not to exceed \$100 or suspension or expulsion, shall be imposed, the penalty to apply to both the horse and the party who violates the regulation.

SEC. 2. Parties having two or more entries in one race shall elect which they will not start, and notify their decision at the same time, in the same manner, and under the same penalty as provided above. This rule shall not be construed to relieve nominators from payment for entries that are drawn.

#### RULE 18.—POWER OF POSTPONEMENT.

SEC. 1.—In case of unfavorable weather or other unavoidable cause, each association or proprietor shall have power to postpone to the next fair day and good track (omitting Sunday) all purses or sweepstakes, or any race to which they have contributed money, upon giving notice thereof; and they may