



Durenberger Appointed to ROAP Board

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THE RACING OFFICIALS ACCREDITATION PROGRAM announces the addition of Dr. Jennifer Durenberger to its Board of Directors. Dr. Durenberger is currently the Operational Director of The Racing Division of The Massachusetts Gaming Commission. She oversees and is the responsible regulatory authority for all pari-mutuel and racing-related activities at the Commonwealth's Standardbred, Thoroughbred and simulcasting facilities.

Dr. Durenberger is a distinguished leader in the racing industry. Her pioneering work in Massachusetts has set a perceptible standard for the development of "Horses First" jurisdictions across North America and the Caribbean.

"I am delighted that Dr. Durenberger is joining our Board. Her commitment to the education of racing officials has been demonstrated by the lucidity and clarity of her presentations at ROAP events and as a guest lecturer in the Joe Hirsch Speaker series and the Advanced Racing Law Class at the University of Arizona Race Track Industry Program, prior to the annual ARCI meetings where she joined their Board of Directors," said ROAP Chairman, Hugh Gallagher.

Dr. Durenberger is a highly-respected veterinarian and lawyer. She recently delivered an exemplary address during the Grayson-Jockey Club's Welfare and Safety of the Racehorse Summit at Keeneland.

"ROAP is a stronger, deeper organization with the addition of Dr. Durenberger to the Board. I look forward to having her perspective added to our current Board of top-shelf industry leaders," Gallagher said in closing.

ROAP, which receives primary funding from The Jockey Club and is based in its Kentucky office, is a 501(c)(6) organization whose board of directors is made up of representatives from 18 industry organizations and eight at-large representatives. Stewards and judges received their accreditation and continuing education credits through this program. The website address for ROAP is horseracingofficials.com.