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TREATMENT
OF ANIMALS

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USDA/APHIS/Animal Care Eastern Region

Re: Apparent Unlicensed Dealing by Monique and Matt Klosowski

Dear AC East,

I am writing on behalf of PETA to request that the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) investigate Monique and Matt Klosowski dba Delaware Red Pit Bulls (DRP) located in Wilmington, Delaware¹, for apparently operating as a dealer and exhibitor without a license in apparent violation of the Animal Welfare Act (AWA).

According to [the DRP website](#), dogs named White Geisha, Sayuri, Dela Manella, Saki, and Red Savina are available breeding females (See Exhibits 1-5).

Additionally, posts on the [DRP Facebook page](#) advertise puppies as the offspring of female dog Naga Jolokia (See Exhibit 6). Puppies are listed for sale on the current website (see Exhibit 7). DRP has also apparently exhibited dogs in the film, *Once Upon a Time in Hollywood* (See Exhibit 8). Despite DRP engaging in regulated activities, including animal dealing² and exhibition, neither Monique or Matt Klosowski nor any licensee or registrant located in Wilmington, Delaware are included on the USDA's List of Active Licensees and Registrants, last updated on July 1, 2019.

DRP is apparently engaging in unlawful animal dealing and exhibition, in violation of 9 C.F.R. § 2.1, requiring that "[a]ny person operating or intending to operate as a dealer [or] exhibitor ... must have a valid license."

Please investigate and pursue all available remedies against DRP. Please also refrain from issuing a license to DRP: 7 U.S.C. § 2133 makes clear that no license "shall be issued until the dealer or exhibitor shall have demonstrated that his facilities comply with" AWA standards, and 9 C.F.R. § 2.11(a)(5) states that "a license will not be issued to any applicant who [i]s or would be operating in violation or circumvention of any Federal ... law[]."

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. Please inform me of the complaint number that your agency assigns to this correspondence.

Very truly yours,

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² DRP appears to maintain at least 6 breeding female dogs.