

Joel B. Turner, Member

Joel B. Turner is involved in a full range of equine legal services; syndicate, co-ownership, partnership and limited liability company agreements, equine lending documentation, purchase and sale agreements, private and public placements, administrative hearings and appeals, gaming regulatory matters, tax and estate planning, and litigation. He is knowledgeable in racing legislation in the United States and is actively working with horsemen throughout the country to attend to the needs of breeders, owners and trainers. His knowledge of the horse industry allows him to handle legal problems within that industry efficiently and successfully. Recently represented clients in connection with:

(1) **Syndication of BIG BROWN**, 2008 Kentucky Derby and Preakness Stakes winner; (2) **Passage of Florida HB 1427** to regulate deceptive practices in horse sales (2007/2008); and (3) **Preparation for Congressional Hearing in Washington, D.C.** regarding The State of Thoroughbred Horseracing and The Welfare of the Thoroughbred (October 10, 2008).

EXPERIENCE

- Licensed Thoroughbred Owner/Trainer.
- Adjunct Professor 2005-2008 - University of Louisville Equine Administration Program; Instructor - Stewards Accreditation Program; Instructor - Oak Tree/Santa Anita Stewards Accreditation Short Course and the ARCI Annual Drug Testing and Quality Assurance Program. TOBA – New Owners Seminar Speaker for 2003, 2004 and 2005.

Mr. Turner, his wife and his family currently live on a small thoroughbred farm in Prospect, Kentucky. He organizes pinhooking and racing co-ownerships, LLCs, and also races certain of his home-breds in Kentucky and elsewhere.

PRESENTATIONS & PUBLICATIONS

- **“Leasing Racehorses/Federal Tax Considerations: Avoiding Re-Characterization”**, American Horse Council Tax Bulletin (March 2009)
- **“Never Fear, the Tax Man’s Here!”**, From the Horse’s Mouth Magazine (April 2009) interview by Lisa Kemp
- **“Farm Bill”**, (Bill’s passage benefits owners), The Blood-Horse MarketWatch (August 14, 2008)
- **“Boarder Beware”** (Kentucky statute saddles owners with the heavy burden of proving negligence), KY QHA (Summer 2008)
- **“Final Turn – It Just Is”**, (in the defense of horsemen), The Blood-Horse (May 17, 2008)
- **“Tax Equity Act,”** a news feature discussing legislation pending before the U.S. Congress with tax provisions favorable to the horse industry appearing in The Blood-Horse Market Watch (November 18, 2005)
- **“Liability of Agent(s) of Buyer of Bloodstock for Taking Undisclosed Kickbacks from Sellers or Consignors,”** presented to the Kentucky Bar Association, Equine Section (October 12, 2005)
- **“Tax Planning Opportunity,”** a news feature on the 2003 Tax Act and the favorable provisions for the equine industry, in the Blood-Horse (July 12, 2003)
- **“Like Kind Exchanges of Equine Assets: An Often Overlooked Tax Planning Opportunity,”** National Conference on Equine Law at the University of Kentucky (May 2000)
- **“Equine Industry Report: Medication Issues and Varying Treatments of the Split Sample Rule,”** National Conference on Equine Law at the University of Kentucky (May 1994)



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PRESENTATIONS & PUBLICATIONS (Continued)

- **“Warranties: The Purchase and Sale of Equine Assets,”** 10 Louisville Lawyer 10 (Spring 1990)
- **“Thoroughbred Horse Racing and Breeding as a Tax Sheltered Investment: Recent Tax Law Developments,”** 13 Golden Gate University, L. Rev. 399 (1983)

PRACTICE AREAS

Equine Law
Corporate and Business
Business & Commercial Litigation
Litigation

EDUCATION

Golden Gate University

JD, 1984 - *Cum Laude*
Associate Editor, *Golden Gate University Law Review*
1983-1984

University of California, Berkeley

BA, 1976 - *Cum Laude*
Chauncey Whetmore Wells Award Recipient (Best Senior Thesis in UC English Department)
IRA Championship, Varsity Crew 1976

BAR MEMBERSHIPS

Kentucky Bar Association
Louisville Bar Association

COURTS

U.S. Supreme Court
Kentucky, 1984

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Chairman, University of Kentucky National Equine Law Conference 2006-2009
- President, American College of Equine Attorneys
- KBA Equine Law Section, Chairman 2001-2003
- Kentucky Thoroughbred Owners, Past President
- Thoroughbred Club of America, KTA and TOBA, Member
- American Horse Council, Tax Bulletin Advisory Committee Member

