



Outlook

USETA Request for Trainer Representation in the CEO Search Process

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USEF Board of Directors

United States Equestrian Federation

Dear Members of the Board,

On behalf of the United States Equestrian Trainers Association (USETA), we want to thank you for your communication regarding the search for the next Chief Executive Officer of the United States Equestrian Federation.

We appreciate the Board's commitment to conducting a thoughtful and inclusive search. We were encouraged to read that the process will seek input from a broad cross-section of the membership - including trainers - and we'd like to respectfully ask that professional trainers have a seat at the table as part of that process.

USETA was founded to give professional trainers a unified voice and to foster collaboration that strengthens our industry. Our members represent a wide range of disciplines, backgrounds, and experiences, but we all share one thing in common: we spend every day working with horses, riders, owners, officials, competition managers, and the countless people who keep our sport moving forward.

Professional trainers have a unique perspective because we live every aspect of this sport. We see firsthand what is working, where improvements are needed, and what challenges our members face - not just at the top levels of competition, but in barns and horse shows across the country every single day. We understand the realities of running equestrian businesses, developing riders, protecting horse welfare, navigating competition, and helping our sport grow for future generations.

Selecting the next CEO is one of the most important decisions the Federation will make in the coming years. While leadership experience and organizational expertise are critical, we believe it is equally important that the voices of those working on the front lines of our industry help shape that decision.

Accordingly, USETA respectfully requests that one or more representatives from our organization be included on the search committee or in a formal advisory capacity throughout the search process. We would be honored to recommend qualified individuals whose experience, professionalism, and diverse perspectives would contribute meaningfully to identifying the next leader of the Federation.

Our membership includes highly respected trainers, judges, competition managers, licensed officials, educators, and industry leaders who have dedicated their careers to advancing equestrian sport. We

believe their knowledge and experience would be a valuable resource as the Board evaluates candidates and determines the qualities that will best serve USEF and its members in the years ahead.

At the end of the day, we all share the same goal: ensuring a strong, sustainable future for equestrian sport in the United States. We appreciate the tremendous responsibility before the Board and thank you for your willingness to consider our request. USETA stands ready to assist in any way that may be helpful, and we welcome the opportunity to be part of this important process.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

The Board of Directors
United States Equestrian Trainers Association