



LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & FORESTRY  
 MIKE STRAIN DVM  
 COMMISSIONER



September 8, 2017

Mr. Jacob Thompson  
 456 Donald Perkins Rd.  
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Mr. Thompson,

We have received evidence that you operating as a livestock dealer in violation of R.S. 3:563, which provides "All market agencies and dealers shall secure an annual permit from the Louisiana Board of Animal Health for the privilege of conducting business. The provisions of this Part shall not apply to farmers or other actual producers of the livestock who offer it for sale either at public stockyards or at a privately owned sales pen or concentration point."

You are ordered immediately to cease and buying and selling livestock on a commercial basis until such time as you hold a livestock dealer permit.

You could be fined up to one thousand dollars for each violation and each day on which a violation occurs shall be considered a separate offense R.S. 3:573.

Your cooperation in this matter is expected and will be monitored by our staff.

Sincerely,

John Walther  
 Director  
 Louisiana Board of Animal Health

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R.S. 3:563. Dealers to obtain permit

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R.S.3:573. Penalty

Whoever violates any of the provisions of this Part shall be fined not more than one thousand dollars or imprisoned for not more than six months, or both, for each violation.