

THE AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB

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Mrs. Sally Taylor 433 Comanche Trali Lawrenceville, GA 30044

Dear Mrs. Taylor:

AKC has now received an official request from the Board of the Greyhound Club of America to have AKC no longer accept NGA pedigrees for AKC registration.

This request will be reported to the AKC Board in October, referred to a Board Committee for November and probably voted on by the full AKC Board in January.

We would not make a practice of sending correspondence from one individual or group to another. However, I will summarize the arguments submitted in support of this request.

Numbers. There are nearly 200 times more Greyhounds registered with NGA than with AKC. While it has not happened in the past, there is a fear of the AKC type stock being overwhelmed.

The difference in type resulting from over a hundred years in different registries, with the track Greyhound bred only for speed on an oval track, whereas the AKC dogs are bred to a comprehensive standard.

Genetic problems in the track dogs, although it is admitted that it is difficult to substantiate this because of the number of NGA dogs euthanized at a relatively early age or adopted strictly as pets, making this difficult to track.

The AKC Board will consider any information and legitimate arguments on both sides of this issue before making a final decision.

Sincerely,

James Perbuley /