

To whom it may concern,

I would like to make a formal submission in regard to the application by the Australian National Kennel Council (#AA1000442-1).

Their proposal is a restrictive move towards their members rights to free trade, in the regards, they cannot own dogs that are not registered on their register. The Australian National Kennel Club is making this move to prevent members from being able to have their dogs registered with competing organisations such that as Masters Dog Breeders Association (MBDA). Currently their organization already has limitations imposed on their members, by the means that a member can only be registered within their state of residence, even though each state has different rules, regulations and membership costs which already makes it unfair and disadvantage dependent upon where one resides.

In regard to this proposal, the ANKC and affiliated state bodies, already have restricted the members rights leading to unfair consumer anti competition by to not allowing dual registration of a dog between 2 unaffiliated registries (ie ANKC VS MDBA), thus now a member has to choose which registry they would like to have their dogs registered on. With their proposed application it will force people to only be allowed to register the dog with the ANKC, and thus is a strategic move to remove the MDBA association for the market place. The ANKC already have a monopoly in regard to breeding pedigree dogs and this proposal will strengthen their monopoly.

I am saying this and against their proposal and I am a member of the ANCK organization. I don't agree with their ethics and ruling out their competitors in this way and enforcing another level of control over their members. I truly question the ethics of this organization at times, and a lot of their decision making is not in the best interest of protecting genetic diversity within the pedigree world.

If the dog is not classified as a registered pedigree, their rules already limit the rights of individuals, by enforcing them to sterilize their animal to be accepted on their limited registration system.

As a consumer I should have to right to own and register my dogs on any register as I choose and not be dictated to by an organization.

Please don't hesitate to contact me for further explanation, if required.

I strongly object to the ANKC proposal!!!

Regards,

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