

BEFORE THE  
CALIFORNIA GAMBLING CONTROL COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application for Third-Party  
Proposition Player Services Player License for:

ANGELA HA HOANG  
Registration No. 015682

Applicant.

BGC Case No. BGC-HQ2018-00028SL  
CGCC Case No. GCCC-2018-0510-7Ei

**NOTICE OF DECISION ON REQUEST  
FOR RECONSIDERATION; AND ORDER  
ADOPTING DEFAULT DECISION AND  
ORDER SIGNED JANUARY 11, 2019**

Hearing Date: May 16, 2019  
Time: 10:00 a.m.

**NOTICE OF DECISION**

1. On or about October 5 and 27, 2016, the Bureau received a Level I Supplemental Information form and an application for Third-Party Proposition Player Services License for Supervisor, Player or Other Employee (collectively, Application) from Applicant to allow for her employment as a third-party proposition player for Pacific United Player Services, Inc.

2. Following a Bureau recommendation of denial, the Commission referred this matter to an evidentiary hearing on May 10, 2018. The Commission received a signed notice of defense from Applicant on June 14, 2018.

3. A prehearing conference was held on October 30, 2018. Applicant did not appear. Commission staff left several phone messages for Applicant after the prehearing conference to ensure that she was aware of the upcoming evidentiary hearing, but Applicant did not respond.

4. An evidentiary hearing was held before the Commission on December 12, 2018. Applicant failed to appear and no evidence was presented in support of her Application.

5. A Default Decision and Order denying Applicant's Application and cancelling her registration was signed by the Commission on January 11, 2019 with an effective date of February 11, 2019.

6. On February 7, 2019, the Commission received a request for reconsideration from

1 Applicant pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 12064. The Commission  
2 granted Applicant's request at the March 7, 2019 meeting. The Commission re-opened the  
3 administrative record and scheduled an additional hearing date.

4 7. A notice of hearing was sent notifying Applicant that the Commission would hold  
5 a further evidentiary hearing on her Application on June 14, 2019.

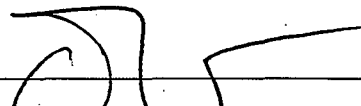
6 8. On March 26, 2019 Commission received notice from Applicant's Designated  
7 Agent that Applicant was withdrawing her request for reconsideration of her Application because  
8 she was no longer working in the controlled gambling industry.


9 9. As a result of the Applicant's withdraw of her request for reconsideration, the  
10 administrative record is hereby closed and the Commission's original Default Decision and Order  
11 dated January 11, 2019 is hereby affirmed effective immediately.

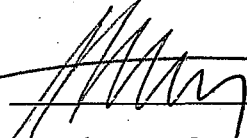
12 **ORDER**

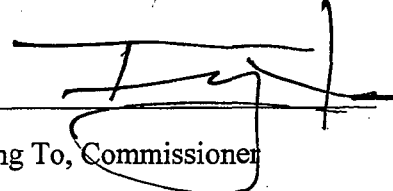
13 The attached January 11, 2019 Decision and Order of the Commission is hereby adopted  
14 as the final decision and order in this matter.

15 This Order is effective on May 16, 2019

16  
17 Dated: 5/16/2019 Signature:   
18 Jim Evans, Chairman

19  
20 Dated: 5/16/2019 Signature:   
21 Paula LaBrie, Commissioner

22  
23 Dated: 5/16/2019 Signature:   
24 Gareth Lacy, Commissioner

25  
26 Dated: 5/16/2019 Signature:   
27 Trang To, Commissioner  
28

BEFORE THE  
CALIFORNIA GAMBLING CONTROL COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application for Third-Party  
Proposition Player Services Player License for:  
  
ANGELA HA HOANG  
Registration No. 015682  
  
Applicant.

BGC Case No. BGC-HQ2018-00028SL  
CGCC Case No. GCCC-2018-0510-7Ei

**DEFAULT DECISION AND ORDER**

Hearing Date: December 12, 2018  
Time: 10:00 a.m.

1. This matter was scheduled for hearing before the California Gambling Control Commission (Commission) pursuant to Business and Professions Code sections 19870 and 19871 and Title 4, California Code of Regulations section 12060, in Sacramento, California, on December 12, 2018.

2. The Bureau of Gambling Control (Bureau) was represented by Deputy Attorney Ronald Diedrich with the Indian and Gaming Law Section, Department of Justice, Attorney General's Office.

3. Angela Ha Hoang (Applicant) failed to appear and was not represented at the hearing.

4. During the administrative hearing, Presiding Officer Jason Pope took official notice of the following:

1) Notice of Hearing and Prehearing Conference with enclosures including Applicant's Application and the Bureau Report, served by certified mail, return receipt requested;

2) The Bureau's Statement of Reasons;

3) Applicant's signed Notice of Defense;

4) Conclusion of Prehearing Conference letter dated October 31, 2018.

5. During the administrative hearing, Presiding Officer Jason Pope accepted into evidence the following exhibits offered by the Bureau:

1                   1) Statement of Reasons; Statement to Respondent; copies of Bus. & Prof. Code  
2 §§ 19870 & 19871; copy of Cal. Code. Regs., tit. 4, § 12060; August 8, 2018 Declaration of  
3 Service by Certified Mail Service; and Notice of Defense dated June 14, 2018, Bates Nos. 001-  
4 028;

5                   2) Notices from the Commission:

6                   a. March 26, 2018, Commission staff's Licensing Division Memorandum,  
7 Bates Nos. 029-031;

8                   b. May 11, 2018, Referral of Application for Third-Party Proposition  
9 Player Services License to an Evidentiary Hearing, Bates Nos. 032-033;

10                  c. July 31, 2018, Notice of Hearing, with attachments and Proof of  
11 Services, Bates Nos. 034-051;

12                  d. October 31, 2018, Conclusion of Prehearing Conference, Bates Nos.  
13 052-056;

14                  3) The Bureau's Information and License History for Applicant, Bates Nos. 057-  
15 058;

16                  4) Redacted copies of Applicant's Application for Third Party Proposition Player  
17 Services License for Supervisor, Player or Other Employee and Level I Supplemental Information  
18 (collectively, Application), Bates Nos. 059-074;

19                  5) A redacted copy of the Bureau's March 13, 2018, Third-Party Player  
20 Background Investigation Report regarding Applicant, Bates Nos. 075-086;

21                  6) Redacted copy of the court records for the 2016 case of *People v. Angela Ha*  
22 *Hoang* (Sup. Ct. Los Angeles County, 2016, No. 5BF07424), Bates Nos. 087-092;

23                  7) Redacted copy of the Department of California Highway Patrol's arrest-  
24 investigation report regarding the arrest and circumstances that lead to the 2016 conviction in the  
25 case of *People v. Angela Ha Hoang* (Sup. Ct. Los Angeles County, 2016, No. 5BF07424), Bates  
26 Nos. 093-098;

27                  8) Redacted copies of correspondence between May 22, 2017, and September 27,  
28

1 2017, with the Bureau regarding Applicant’s Application, Bates Nos. 099-123;

2 9) June 14, 2018, Appointment of Designated Agent for Owners and Proposition  
3 Players identifying Chau On as Applicant’s designated agent, Bates Nos. 124.

4 6. The matter was submitted on December 12, 2018

5 **FINDINGS OF FACT**

6 1. On or about July 23, 2015, The Commission issued Applicant a registration,  
7 number TPPL-015682, as a proposition player.

8 2. On or about October 5 and 27, 2016, the Bureau received a Level I Supplemental  
9 Information form and an application for Third-Party Proposition Player Services License for  
10 Supervisor, Player or Other Employee (collectively, Application) from Applicant to allow for her  
11 employment as a third-party proposition player for Pacific United Player Services, Inc.

12 3. On or about March 13, 2018, the Bureau submitted a Third Party Player  
13 Background Investigation Report in which it concluded that Applicant was unqualified for  
14 licensure pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19857, subdivision (a); section  
15 19859, subdivision (b); and California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 12218.11,  
16 subdivisions (e) and (f). The Bureau recommended that the Commission deny Applicant’s  
17 application.

18 4. At the May 10, 2018 Commission meeting, the Commission referred consideration  
19 of Applicant’s Application to an evidentiary hearing pursuant to California Code of Regulations,  
20 title 4, section 12060.

21 5. Commission staff received a signed Notice of Defense form from Applicant signed  
22 on June 14, 2018 requesting an evidentiary hearing. (Exhibit A).

23 6. Commission staff mailed a Notice of the Hearing sent certified mail on July 31,  
24 2018 to Applicant’s address of record and stated that the hearing was set to occur on December  
25 12, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. The Notice of Hearing was returned to the Commission on or about  
26 August 23, 2018 with the designation of “unclaimed, unable to forward, return to sender.”

27 7. Commission staff left voicemail messages for Applicant on August 28, 2018 and  
28

1 November 1, 2018 notifying her of the scheduled hearing and that the Notice of Hearing was  
2 returned as unclaimed. Applicant did not return the messages from Commission staff.

3 8. On October 30, 2018, Jason Pope, Presiding Officer for the forthcoming hearing,  
4 conducted a pre-hearing conference with Deputy Attorney General Ronald Diedrich in  
5 attendance. Applicant was not present and no one appeared on her behalf. On October 31, 2018,  
6 a letter confirming this conference was mailed out to the parties.

7 9. At the December 12, 2018 hearing, Applicant was not present, and submitted no  
8 evidence on behalf of her application.

9 **DETERMINATION OF ISSUES**

10 10. An application to receive a license constitutes a request for a determination of the  
11 applicant's general character, integrity, and ability to participate in, engage in, or be associated  
12 with, controlled gambling. (Bus. & Prof. Code § 19856, subd. (b).)

13 11. In addition, the burden of proving Applicant's qualifications to receive any license  
14 from the Commission is on the applicant. (Bus. & Prof. Code § 19856, subd. (a).)

15 12. At an evidentiary hearing pursuant to Business and Professions Code sections  
16 19870 and 19871 and Title 4, CCR section 12060 the burden of proof rests with the applicant to  
17 demonstrate why a license or other approval should be issued. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 4, § 12060,  
18 subd. (i).)

19 13. Title 4, CCR section 12052, subdivision (c), provides in pertinent part:

20 (c) An applicant for any license, permit, finding of suitability,  
21 renewal, or other approval shall be given notice of the meeting at  
22 which the application is scheduled to be heard. Notice shall be given  
pursuant to Section 12006.

23 \* \* \*

24 (2) If the application is to be scheduled at an evidentiary  
25 hearing, pursuant to subsections (a) or (b) of Section 12060, the  
notice of hearing shall inform the applicant of the following:

26 \* \* \*

27 (F) The waiver of an evidentiary hearing, or failure of  
28 the applicant to submit a Notice of Defense, or failure of an applicant  
to appear at an evidentiary hearing, may result in:

1. A default decision being issued by the Commission based upon the Bureau report, any supplemental reports by the Bureau and any other documents or testimony already provided or which might be provided to the Commission . . . .

14. Title 4, CCR section 12205, subdivision (a) states in pertinent part:

Any regular registration issued in accordance with this chapter shall be subject to cancellation pursuant this this section. A registration shall be cancelled if the Commission determines after a noticed hearing that the registration is ineligible for registration...

15. Title 4, CCR section 12052, subdivision (c), provides in pertinent part:

(c) An applicant for any license, permit, finding of suitability, renewal, or other approval shall be given notice of the meeting at which the application is scheduled to be heard. Notice shall be given pursuant to Section 12006.

\* \* \*

(2) If the application is to be scheduled at an evidentiary hearing, pursuant to subsections (a) or (b) of Section 12060, the notice of hearing shall inform the applicant of the following:

\* \* \*

(F) The waiver of an evidentiary hearing, or failure of the applicant to submit a Notice of Defense, or failure of an applicant to appear at an evidentiary hearing, may result in:

1. A default decision being issued by the Commission based upon the Bureau report, any supplemental reports by the Bureau and any other documents or testimony already provided or which might be provided to the Commission . . . .

16. The Commission took official notice of the items identified under paragraph 4, and received into evidence Bureau Exhibits 1-9 identified under paragraph 5 which were provided to it in this matter pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19870, subdivision (a) and Title 4, CCR section 12052, subdivision (c)(2)(F)(1).

17. The Commission has jurisdiction to adjudicate this case by default.

18. The Commission may deny Applicant's application based upon the Bureau report, any supplemental reports by the Bureau and any other documents or testimony already provided to it, pursuant to CCR section 12052, subdivision (c)(2)(F)(1), and Business and Professions Code sections 19857 and 19859.





1  
2  
3  
4  
5  
6  
7  
8  
9  
10  
11  
12  
13  
14  
15  
16  
17  
18  
19  
20  
21  
22  
23  
24  
25  
26  
27  
28

A decision of the commission denying a license or approval, or imposing any condition or restriction on the grant of a license or approval may be reviewed by petition pursuant to Section 1085 of the Code of Civil Procedure. Section 1094.5 of the Code of Civil Procedure shall not apply to any judicial proceeding described in the foregoing sentence, and the court may grant the petition only if the court finds that the action of the commission was arbitrary and capricious, or that the action exceeded the commission's jurisdiction.

Title 4, CCR section 12066, subsection (c) provides:

A decision of the Commission denying an application or imposing conditions on a license shall be subject to judicial review as provided in Business and Professions Code section 19870, subdivision (e). Neither the right to petition for judicial review nor the time for filing the petition shall be affected by failure to seek reconsideration.

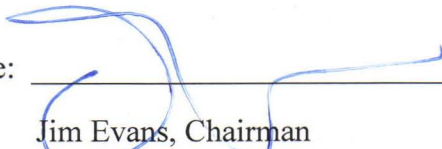
///  
///  
///

**ORDER**

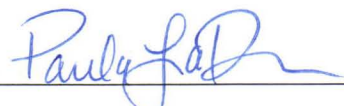
1. Angela Ha Hoang's Application for Approval of Initial Third-Party Proposition Player Services License is DENIED.
2. Angela Ha Hoang's Third-Party Player Registration, No. TPPL-015682 is cancelled.
3. No costs are to be awarded.
4. Each side to pay its own attorneys' fees.

This Order is effective on February 11, 2019.

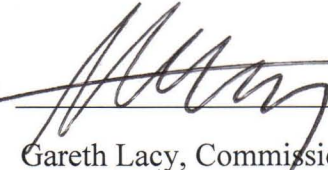
Dated: 1/11/19

Signature:   
Jim Evans, Chairman

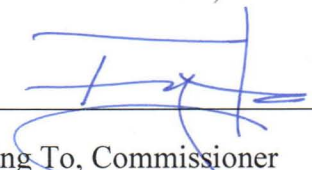
Dated: 1/11/2019

Signature:   
Paula LaBrie, Commissioner

Dated: 1/11/19

Signature:   
Gareth Lacy, Commissioner

Dated: 1/11/19

Signature:   
Trang To, Commissioner