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FIRST CAUSE FOR DENIAL

(Providing Untrue or Misleading Information)

- 9. Respondent's Application is subject to denial and his registration subject to revocation or cancellation in that Respondent failed to provide information and/or provided untrue or misleading information that was material to his qualifications for licensure, as follows:
- a. In Section 1. Personal History Information, (D) Employment History, of his Level I Supplemental Information, Respondent, under penalty of perjury, falsely stated that he was employed by Acme from February 2010 to November 2010. In fact, he was terminated from his employment at Acme in April 2010. On April 22, 2010, Respondent signed Acme's Notice of Acknowledgment of Notice to Employee as to Change in Relationship (Acknowledgment), which clearly states that his employment was terminated effective April 22, 2010 and that the reason for that termination was for violation of company policy due to substance abuse.
- b. In Section 1. Personal History Information, (D) Employment History, of his Level I Supplemental Information, Respondent, under penalty of perjury, also falsely stated that the reason he left his employment as a prop-player with Acme was because he was "offered a job elsewhere." However, as alleged in subparagraph (a) above and incorporated herein by reference, Respondent was in fact terminated for cause from that employment and signed the Acknowledgment.
- c. When asked by the Bureau to explain why he failed to disclose on his Application that his employment with Acme had been terminated, Respondent replied in writing that he had been terminated for being under the influence while at work; but that he had not "brought forward that information because at the time the supervisor that delivered my termination informed me that they will have me listed as resigning on my own terms." In fact, as noted above, Respondent signed the Acknowledgment, which clearly states that his employment was terminated and the reasons for that termination.
- d. In response to further Bureau inquiries regarding his termination from Acme,
 Respondent replied in writing that "there was no documentation given to me during or after my
 termination." However, as noted above, Respondent signed the Acknowledgment, which

1	demonstrates that he was in fact provided with documentation that stated that his employment		
2	was terminated and the reasons for that termination.		
3	(Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 19856, 19857, subds. (a) & (b), 19859, subds. (a) [mandatory denial] &		
4	(b) [mandatory denial] & 19866; Cal. Code. Regs., tit. 4, §§ 12200.18, subds. (a), (b) & (f), 1220		
5	& 12218.11, subds. (e) [mandatory denial], (f) [mandatory denial] & (j) [mandatory denial].)		
6	SECOND CAUSE FOR DENIAL		
7	(Derogatory Gaming Employment History)		
8	10. Respondent's Application is subject to denial and his registration subject to		
9	revocation or cancellation in that on or about April 22, 2010, Respondent was terminated from h		
10	employment as a prop-player with Acme. He violated Acme's substance abuse policy while on		
11	the premises of a gaming operation.		
12	(Bus. & Prof. Code. §§ 19856, & 19857, subds. (a) & (b); Cal. Code. Regs., tit. 4, §§ 12200.18,		
13	subd. (a), 12205 & 12218.11, subds. (e) [mandatory denial] & (j) [mandatory denial].)		
14	<u>PRAYER</u>		
15	WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged,		
16	and that following the hearing the Commission issue a decision:		
17	1. Denying Respondent's Application for a third-party proposition player license;		
18	2. Revoking or cancelling Respondent's registration, number TPPL-016044; and		
19	3. Taking such other and further action as the Commission may deem appropriate.		
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21	Dated: January 17, 2019 Alohani K. Dhuan		
22	STEPHANIE K. SHIMAZU, Director Bureau of Gambling Control		
23	California Department of Justice Complainant		
24	Complainant		
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1 APPENDIX A JURISDICTION 2 Business and Professions Code section 19811, subdivision (b), provides: 3 Jurisdiction, including jurisdiction over operation and concentration, and supervision over gambling establishments in this 5 state and over all persons or things having to do with the operation of gambling establishments is vested in the commission. 6 2. Business and Professions Code, section 19823 provides: 7 (a) The responsibilities of the commission include, without 8 limitation, all of the following: 9 (1) Assuring that licenses, approvals, and permits are not issued to, or held by, unqualified or disqualified persons, or by 10 persons are conducted in a manner that is inimical to the public health, safety, or welfare. 11 (2) Assuring that there is no material involvement, 12 directly or indirectly, with a licensed gambling operation, or the ownership or management thereof, by unqualified or 13 disqualified persons, or by persons whose operations are conducted in a manner that is inimical to the public health, 14 safety, or welfare. 15 (b) For the purposes of this section, "unqualified person" means a person who is found to be unqualified pursuant to the criteria set forth 16 in Section 19857, and "disqualified person" means a person who is found to be disqualified pursuant to the criteria set forth in Section 17 19859. 18 19 Business and Professions Code, section 19824 provides, in part: 20 The commission shall have all powers necessary and proper to enable it fully and effectually to carry out the policies and purposes of 21 this chapter, [3] including, without limitation, the power to do all of the following: 22 23 (b) For any cause deemed reasonable by the commission, deny 24 any application for a license, permit, or approval provided for in this chapter or regulations adopted pursuant to this chapter, limit, 25 condition, or restrict any license, permit, or approval, or impose any fine upon any person licensed or approved. The commission may 26 condition, restrict, discipline, or take action against the license of an 27 ³ "Chapter" refers to Business and Professions Code, division 8, chapter 5 (commencing 28 with section 19800), also known as the Gambling Control Act.

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1 2		individual owner endorsed on the license certificate of the gambling enterprise whether or not the commission takes action against the license of the gambling enterprise.
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4		(d) Take actions deemed to be reasonable to ensure that no ineligible, unqualified, disqualified, or unsuitable persons are associated with controlled gambling activities.
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7	4.	Business and Professions Code, section 19853, subdivision (a), provides, in part:
8		The commission, by regulation or order, may require that the following persons register with the commission, apply for a finding of
9		suitability as defined in subdivision (i) of [Business and Professions Code, section] 19805, or apply for a gambling license:
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11		(3) Any person who does business on the premises of a
12		licensed gambling establishment.
13	5.	Business and Professions Code, section 19870 provides:
14 15		(a) The commission, after considering the recommendation of the chief ^[4] and any other testimony and written comments as may be presented at the meeting, or as may have been submitted in writing to
16		the commission prior to the meeting, may either deny the application or grant a license to an applicant who it determines to be qualified to hold the license.
17		(b) When the commission grants an application for a license or
18		approval, the commission may limit or place restrictions thereon as it may deem necessary in the public interest, consistent with the policies
19		described in this chapter.
20	ı	(c) When an application is denied, the commission shall prepare and file a detailed statement of its reasons for the denial.
21		(d) All proceedings at a meeting of the commission relating to a license application shall be recorded stenographically or by audio or
22 23		video recording.
24		(e) A decision of the commission denying a license or approval, or imposing any condition or restriction on the grant of a license or
25	·	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
26		foregoing sentence, and the court may grant the petition only if the
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28	4 4	'Chief' refers to the Director of the Bureau. (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 19805, subd. (d).)

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1	7.	Business and Professions Code section 19984, subdivision (b), provides, in part:
2.		The commission shall establish reasonable criteria for, and require
3		the licensure and registration of, any person or entity that provides proposition player services to gambling establishments pursuant to this section, including owners, supervisors, and players The
4 5		commission may impose licensing requirements, disclosures, approvals, conditions, or limitations as it deems necessary to protect the integrity of controlled gambling in this state
6	8.	California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 12056, subdivision (a) provides, in
7	part:	
8	part.	If the Commission elects to hold an evidentiary hearing, the hearing will be conducted as a GCA hearing under Section 12060,
9	•	unless the Executive Director or the Commission determines the hearing should be conducted as an APA hearing under Section 12058
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11	9.	California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 12060, provides:
12		(a) If the Executive Director determines it is appropriate, he or he may set an application for consideration at a GCA hearing in advance
13		of a meeting pursuant to Section 12054. The Executive Director shall give notice to the applicant, pursuant to paragraph (2) subsection (c) of
14		Section 12052, to the Office of the Attorney General, and to the Bureau no later than 90 calendar days in advance of the GCA hearing.
15		The Executive Director's determination will be based on information contained in the Bureau's report or other appropriate sources
16		including, without limitation, a request from the Bureau or applicant as well as the Commission's operational considerations. The
17	· .	Commission retains the authority to refer the matter to an APA hearing pursuant to subsection (a) of Section 12056 or hear the matter
18	÷	at a Section 12054 meeting if the Commission deems it appropriate.
19	-	(b) When the Commission has elected to hold a GCA hearing, the Executive Director shall give notice to the applicant, pursuant to
20		paragraph (2) subsection (c) of Section 12052, to the Office of the Attorney General, and to the Bureau no later than 60 calendar days in
21		advance of the GCA hearing.
22		(c) The presiding officer shall have no communication with the Commission or Commission staff upon the merits, or upon
23		information or documents related to the application prior to the evidentiary hearing. The Executive Director shall designate a
24		presiding officer which shall be:
25		(1) A member of the Commission's legal staff; or,
26		(2) An Administrative Law Judge.
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1	(d) The applicant or the complainant, or the applicant and the complainant, may request a continuance in writing to the Executive
2 3	Director stating the reason for the continuance and any proposed future hearing dates. The Executive Director or Commission may approve the request.
4	(e) The complainant shall provide to the applicant, at least 45
5	calendar days prior to the GCA hearing, and the applicant shall provide to the complainant, at least 30 calendar days prior to the GCA hearing, the following items.
6 7	(1) A list of potential witnesses with the general subject of the testimony of each witness;
8	(2) Copies of all documentary evidence intended to be introduced at the hearing and not previously provided;
9 10	(3) Reports or statements of parties and witnesses, if available; and
11	(4) All other written comments or writings containing relevant evidence.
12	(f) A presiding officer shall rule on the admissibility of evidence
13	and on any objections raised except for objections raised under subsection (g). A ruling by the presiding officer shall be final.
14	(1) In advance of the GCA hearing, upon a motion of a party
15 16	or by order of the presiding officer, the presiding officer may conduct a pre-hearing conference, either in person, via teleconference, or by email exchange, subject to the presiding
17 [.]	officer's availability and shall issue a pre-hearing order if appropriate or requested by either party. The pre-hearing
18	conference and order may address the following:
19	(A) Evidentiary issues;
20	(B) Witness and exhibit lists;
21	(C) Alterations in the Bureau recommendation;
22	(D) Stipulation for undisputed facts including the admission of the Bureau's report; and
23	(E) Other issues that may be deemed appropriate to
24	promote the orderly and prompt conduct of the hearing.
25	(2) The GCA hearing need not be conducted according to technical rules of evidence. Any relevant evidence may be
26	considered, and is sufficient in itself to support findings if it is the sort of evidence on which reasonable persons are accustomed to
27	rely in the conduct of serious affairs, regardless of the existence of any common law or statutory rule that might make improper the
28	admission of that evidence over objection in a civil action.

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⁶ "Chapter" refers to California Code of Regulations, title 4, division 18, chapter 2.1,

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section 12200 et seq.

1		(a) Failure of the applicant to clearly establish eligibility and qualification in accordance with this chapter.
2		(b) Failure of the applicant to provide information,
3		documentation, and assurances required by this chapter or requested by the chief, or failure of the applicant to reveal any fact material to
4	·	qualification, or the supplying of information that is untrue or misleading as to a material fact pertaining to the qualification criteria.
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6	17.	Business and Professions Code section 19866 provides:
7		An applicant for licensing or for any approval or consent required by this chapter, shall make full and true disclosure of all information to the department and the commission as necessary to carry out the
8		policies of this state relating to licensing, registration, and control of gambling.
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11	18.	California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 12200.18, provides, in part:
12		The Commission may revoke a registration or license, upon any of
13		the following grounds, after a hearing conducted pursuant to the same procedures applicable to the revocation of a gambling establishment license:
14		(a) The registrant or licensee committed, attempted to commit, or
15		conspired to commit any acts prohibited by the Act[7] or this chapter.
16 17	•	(b) Any act or omission by the registrant that would disqualify the registrant from obtaining registration under this chapter. Any act or omission by the licensee that would disqualify the licensee from
18	• .	obtaining licensing under this chapter.
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20		(f) The registrant or licensee concealed or refused to disclose any
21	٠.,	material fact in any inquiry by the Bureau or the Commission.
22	19.	California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 12218.11, provides, in part:
23		A requester shall be ineligible for licensing for any of the following causes:
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25		(a) The requester has failed to meet the requirements of Rusiness
26		(e) The requester has failed to meet the requirements of Business and Professions Code sections 19856 or 19857.
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28	7 "	Act" refers to the "Gambling Control Act." (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 19800 et seq.)
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1 2	(f) The requester would be ineligible for a state gambling license under any of the criteria set forth in Business and Professions Code section 19859, subdivisions (b), (e), or (f).
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5	(j) The applicant is ineligible based on any other provision of law.
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