

AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION

1. I have applied for a license, registration, permit or other approval under the California Gambling Control Act, California Business & Professions Code sections 19800 et seq. I understand that under the Gambling Control Act, the Department of Justice is responsible for investigating applicants for licenses, registrations, permits, and approvals and reporting its findings to the California Gambling Control Commission, which acts on these applications. I understand that I am seeking the granting of a privilege and acknowledge that the burden of proving my qualifications for a favorable determination is at all times on me, the applicant. Under the circumstances specified in Business and Professions Code section 19828, "any communication or publication from, or concerning, an applicant, licensee, or registrant, in oral, written, or any other form, is absolutely privileged and so shall not form a basis for imposing liability for defamation or constitute a ground for recovery in any civil action." A complete copy of Business and Professions Code section 19828 is included on page 2 of this form.
2. I understand that by signing this authorization I am permitting the release of all records pertaining to me, including but not limited to financial (such as records from financial institutions, tax and credit agencies), employment, military, court, criminal, and other licensing records. Records from financial institutions include bank statements and account information such as number of accounts and account balances. Records from tax agencies include, for example, copies of federal tax returns.
3. I hereby authorize and request all persons, entities, and government agencies to whom this Authorization is presented, having information contained in, relating to, or concerning any of the records enumerated in paragraph 2, above, to furnish such information to a representative of the Department of Justice, **Division Bureau** of Gambling Control.
4. I hereby authorize and request all persons, entities, and government agencies to whom this request is presented, having documents contained in, relating to, or concerning any of the records enunciated in paragraph 2, above, to permit a representative of the Department of Justice, **Division Bureau** of Gambling Control to review and copy any such documents.
5. I hereby authorize a reproduction of this request to be treated for all intents and purposes as valid as the original.

Executed at _____ on the _____ day of _____, 20____.
City, State

This release form shall be valid for 12 months from the date of execution.

 Applicant's Signature

 Print Name

Signature of Division Bureau of Gambling Control Representative presenting this request.		
_____ Signature	_____ Date	_____ Printed Name

California Business and Professions Code Section 19828:

19828. (a) Without limiting any privilege that is otherwise available under law, any communication or publication from, or concerning, an applicant, licensee, or registrant, in oral, written, or any other form, is absolutely privileged and so shall not form a basis for imposing liability for defamation or constitute a ground for recovery in any civil action, under any of the following circumstances:

- (1) It was made or published by an agent or employee of the department or commission in the proper discharge of official duties or in the course of any proceeding under this chapter.
- (2) It was required to be made or published to the department or commission, or any of their agents or employees, by law, regulation, or subpoena of the department or the commission.
- (3) It was, in good faith, made or published to the department or the commission for the purpose of causing, assisting, or aiding an investigation conducted pursuant to this chapter.

(b) If any document or communication provided to the department or the commission contains any information that is privileged pursuant to Division 8 (commencing with Section 900) of the Evidence Code, or any other provision of law, that privilege is not waived or lost because the document or communication is disclosed to the department or the commission or to any of their agents or employees.

(c) The department, the commission, and their agents and employees shall not release or disclose any information, documents, or communications provided by an applicant, licensee, or other person, that are privileged pursuant to Division 8 (commencing with Section 900) of the Evidence Code, or any other provision of law, without the prior written consent of the holder of the privilege, or pursuant to lawful court order after timely notice of the proceedings has been given to the holder of the privilege. An application to a court for an order requiring the department or the commission to release any information declared by law to be confidential shall be made only upon motion made in writing on not less than 10-business days' notice to the department or the commission, and to all persons who may be affected by the entry of the order.