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In the Matter of the Suspension or
Revocation of the License to Conduct
Gambling Activities of:

CAMERON HOLLIS,

Licensee.

OAH No. 2010-GMB-0008

GC No. CR 2009-01767

INITIAL ORDER OF DISMISSAL
BASED ON DEFAULT

Administrative Law Judge John M. Gray conducted an administrative hearing in this matter on March 16, 2010, at the Gambling Commission Office, 4565 7th Avenue, Lacey, Washington.

Bruce Marvin, Assistant Attorney General, appeared and represented the Commission. Julie Sullivan, Special Agent with the Commission, appeared as a witness for the Commission.

Cameron Hollis, the Licensee, failed to appear.

On January 13, 2010, the Director of the Commission caused a Notice of Administrative Charges to be issued against Mr. Hollis. The Director alleged multiple reasons why Mr. Hollis's license to act as a public card room employee should be revoked. First, Mr. Hollis pleaded guilty in the District Court of Washington for Clark County, Cause No. 204776D CKP, to assault in the fourth degree, on November 2, 2009. Second, Mr. Hollis pleaded guilty in the District Court of Washington for Clark County, Cause No. 269872 CLS, to violation of a protective order, also on November 2, 2009. Third, Mr. Hollis was found guilty, on January 18, 1995, in the Circuit Court of Oregon for Multnomah County, Cause No. 94-8-35512, of two

counts of robbery in the first degree and two counts of robbery in the second degree. Fourth, Mr. Hollis pleaded guilty to first degree theft on February 25, 1994, in the Circuit Court of Oregon for Multnomah County, Cause No. 93-11-37927. With regard to the Oregon convictions, Mr. Hollis disclosed those convictions to the Commission in a letter dated June 12, 2005, and received by the Commission on July 11, 2005, while he was applying for his card room employee license. The Commission duly notified Mr. Hollis of the time and the place of the administrative hearing. There were twenty (20) exhibits admitted and testimony was offered by one witness, Special Agent Julie Sullivan.

The Administrative Law Judge, having considered the evidence, now enters the following findings of fact:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Cameron Hollis holds a public card room employee license, No. 68-22233, issued by the Commission. That license will expire on July 10, 2010. He applied for the license in 2005.
2. Mr. Hollis was found guilty, on January 18, 1995, in the Circuit Court of Oregon for Multnomah County, Cause No. 94-8-33512, of two counts of robbery in the first degree and two counts of robbery in the second degree, and was sentenced.
3. Mr. Hollis pleaded guilty to first degree theft on February 25, 1994, in the Circuit Court of Oregon for Multnomah County, Cause No. 93-11-37927, and was sentenced.
4. Mr. Hollis disclosed his Oregon convictions to the Commission at the time he applied for his license on July 11, 2005.

5. Despite Mr. Hollis's disclosure to the Commission, the Commission issued him the license. The Commission's action was inadvertent. When the Commission investigated Mr. Hollis's criminal history, it ran the check in Washington State only, neglecting to search also in Oregon.

6. The Commission's mistake remained unnoticed until October 20, 2009, when Special Agent Sullivan received notice from Mr. Hollis, dated October 20, 2009, that he had been charged with 4th degree assault. On October 20, 2009, Mr. Hollis was employed at the Chips Palace Casino in La Center, Washington.

7. Special Agent Sullivan tracked Mr. Hollis's case after that. Ultimately, Mr. Hollis pleaded guilty to 4th degree assault in Clark County, Washington District Court, Cause No. 204776D CKP, on November 2, 2009. Mr. Hollis also pleaded guilty to violating a protective order in Clark County, Washington District Court, Cause No. 269872 CLS, on November 2, 2009.

8. Based on Mr. Hollis's convictions in Oregon and his convictions in Washington, the Commission concluded that Mr. Hollis poses a threat to the effective regulation of gambling and that he is not qualified to possess a Washington State public card room employee license.

9. Mr. Hollis did not appear for the hearing scheduled for March 16, 2010 at 9 AM. The Commission and the undersigned Administrative Law Judge waited until 9:30 AM for Mr. Hollis to appear. The Commission presented a prima facie case. The undersigned Administrative Law Judge heard the prima facie case and found Mr. Hollis to have defaulted.

From the foregoing Findings of Fact, the Administrative Law Judge now enters the following Conclusions of Law:

1. The undersigned Administrative Law Judge has jurisdiction to hear and initially decide this matter in an adjudicative proceeding. RCW 34.05.485(1)(c), 34.12.030(1), 9.46.095 and WAC 230-17-025.
2. During the time material hereto, the licensee, Cameron Hollis, has been the holder of a public card room employee license authorizing him to act as a public card room employee and is subject to the provisions of RCW 9.46.075 and WAC 230-03-085.
3. The Commission has the broad purpose of protecting the public by insuring that those activities authorized by chapter 9.46 RCW do not maliciously affect the public and do not breach the peace. RCW 9.46.010. The public policy of the state of Washington on gambling is to keep the criminal element out of gambling and to promote the social welfare of the people by limiting the nature and scope of gambling activities and by strict regulation and control. All factors incident to the activities authorized in chapter 9.46 RCW shall be closely controlled, and the provisions of this chapter shall be liberally construed to achieve such end. RCW 9.46.010.
4. It is the affirmative responsibility of each licensee to establish by clear and convincing evidence his continuing qualifications for licensure. RCW 9.46.153(1). Each holder of a license issued pursuant to chapter 9.46 RCW is subject to continuous scrutiny regarding

his general character, integrity and ability to engage in or participate in, or associate with, gambling or related activities impacting this state. RCW 9.46.153(7).

5. The Commission may revoke the license of any person who has been convicted of any crime, whether a felony or a misdemeanor, involving physical harm to individuals. RCW 9.46.075(4); WAC 230-03-085(2). "Physical harm to individuals" includes any form of criminal assault, any crime involving a threat of physical harm against another person, or any crime involving an intention to inflict physical harm on another person." WAC 230-03-085(2).

6. Robbery, assault in the 4th degree, and violations of a protective order are crimes involving physical harm or the threat of physical harm to other persons.

7. The Commission may suspend or revoke any license or permit issued by it, for any reason or reasons, it deems to be in the public interest when a licensee has violated, failed or refused to comply with the provisions, requirements, conditions, limitations or duties imposed by chapter 9.46 RCW and any amendments thereto, or any rules adopted by the commission pursuant thereto. RCW 9.46.075(1). We may deny, suspend, or revoke any application, license or permit, when the applicant, licensee, or anyone holding a substantial interest in the applicant's or licensee's business or organization commits any act that constitutes grounds for denying, suspending, or revoking licenses or permits under RCW 9.46.075 and WAC 230-03-085(1). The record establishes that Mr. Hollis was convicted of serious crimes, both before and while he was the holder of a card room employee license. The Commission may suspend or revoke Mr. Hollis's public card room employee license under RCW 9.46.075 (1) and(4) and WAC 230-03-085(1) and (2).

8. The Commission may deny an application, or suspend or revoke any license or permit issued by it, for any reason or reasons, it deems to be in the public interest when a licensee fails to prove, by clear and convincing evidence, that he, she or it is qualified in accordance with the provisions of this chapter. RCW 9.46.075(8). The Commission has established that Mr. Hollis's record demonstrates by clear and convincing evidence that Mr. Hollis's public card room employee license should be revoked.

9. To closely control all factors incident to the activities authorized in chapter 9.46 RCW, the provisions of the chapter shall be liberally construed to achieve such ends. The general public can find itself in a particularly vulnerable position should a person licensed to conduct gambling activities fail to discharge his occupation with a sense of justice and honesty. The evidence of the commission has established that in the public interest, the revocation of the license to act as a public card room employee of the licensee, Cameron Hollis, is in the public interest.

10. RCW 34.05.440(2) provides in relevant part: "If a party fails to attend or participate in a hearing or other stage of an adjudicative proceeding . . . the presiding officer may serve upon all parties a default or other dispositive order, which shall include a statement of the grounds for the order." The Licensee, Cameron Hollis, is in default for his failed to appear for the March 16, 2010, hearing.

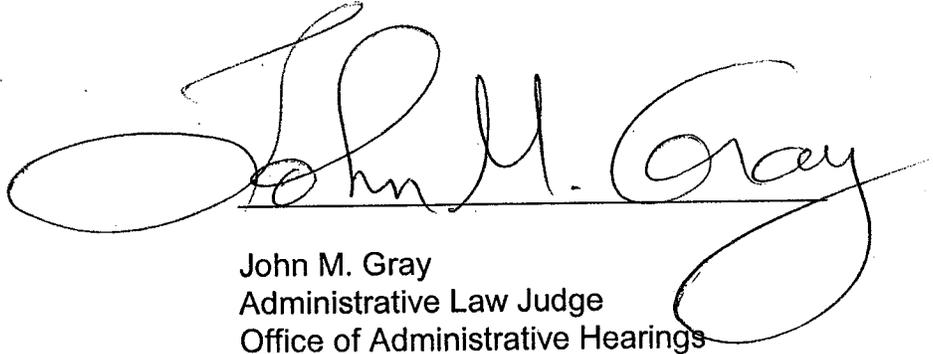
From the foregoing conclusions of law, NOW THEREFORE,

INITIAL ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED That the card room employee license of Cameron Hollis be, and the same is, REVOKED.

The Licensee, Cameron Hollis, is in DEFAULT. A request that this order be vacated must be filed within seven days of service of this order, stating the grounds relied upon. RCW 34.05.440(3).

DATED at Olympia, Washington, this 20th day of April, 2010.



John M. Gray
Administrative Law Judge
Office of Administrative Hearings

NOTICE TO THE PARTIES

Initial orders must be entered in accordance with RCW 34.05.461(3). WAC 230-17-085(1). An initial order becomes the final order unless a party files a petition for review of the initial order as explained in WAC 230-17-090. WAC 230-17-085(2).

RCW 34.05.464 governs the review of initial orders. WAC 230-17-090(1).

Any party to an adjudicative proceeding may file a petition for review of an initial order. Parties must file the petition for review with us within twenty days of the date of service of the initial order unless otherwise stated. Parties must serve copies of the petition to all other parties or their representatives at the time the petition for review is filed. WAC 230-17-090(2).

Petitions must specify the portions of the initial order the parties disagree with and refer to the evidence in the record on which they rely to support their petition. WAC 230-17-090(3).

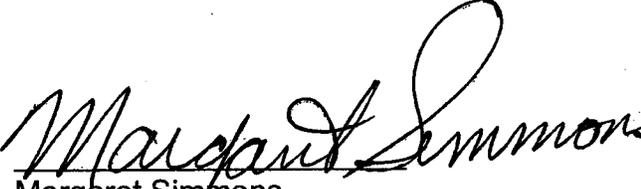
Any party to an adjudicative proceeding may file a reply to a petition for review of an initial order. Parties must file the reply with us within thirty days of the date of service of the petition and must serve copies of the reply to all other parties or their representatives at the time the reply is filed. WAC 230-17-090(4).

Any party may file a cross appeal. Parties must file cross appeals with us within ten days of the date the petition for review was filed with us. WAC 230-17-090(5).

Copies of the petition or the cross appeal must be served on all other parties or their representatives at the time the petition or appeal is filed. WAC 230-17-090(6). After we receive the petition or appeal, the commissioners review it at a regularly scheduled commission meeting within one hundred twenty days and make a final order. WAC 230-17-090(7).

Certification of Mailing

I certify that I mailed true and correct copies of the **Initial Order of Dismissal Based on Default** to the following parties, postage prepaid this 20th day of April 2010 at Olympia, Washington.


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