

**STATE OF OHIO
CASINO CONTROL COMMISSION**

<i>In re:</i>	:	
	:	Case No. 2017-LIC-045
Gregory Sullivan	:	
CASINO GAMING EMPLOYEE LICENSE	:	
APPLICANT	:	
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Applicant.	:	

ORDER DENYING CASINO GAMING EMPLOYEE LICENSE APPLICATION

On January 5, 2017, Gregory Sullivan filed with the Ohio Casino Control Commission (“Commission”) a renewal application for a Casino Gaming Employee License. Thereafter, the Commission conducted a suitability investigation of Sullivan to determine his eligibility for such a license.

A casino gaming employee license applicant is eligible for licensure upon meeting the following criteria: (1) being at least 21 years of age, R.C. 3772.131(C); (2) filing a true and complete Casino Gaming Employee License Application (“Application”), R.C. 3772.131(D) and Ohio Adm. Code 3772-8-02(A); (3) submitting two sets of the applicant’s fingerprints and a photograph, R.C. 3772.131(E); (4) paying the nonrefundable application fee, R.C. 3772.131(E) and Ohio Adm. Code 3772-8-03, and all fees necessary to cover the cost of the background investigation in excess of the application fee, Ohio Adm. Code 3772-8-03(B); (5) reimbursing the costs for the background check, including the criminal records check, R.C. 3772.07 and 3772.131(E); (6) not having been convicted of or pled guilty or no contest to a disqualifying offense, R.C. 3772.07 and 3772.10(C)(1); and (7) being otherwise suitable for licensure, R.C. 3772.10(B) and (C)(7).

During an administrative investigation of Sullivan, the Commission discovered sufficient derogatory information to warrant issuance of a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing (“Notice”), dated August 17, 2017. (Exhibit A.) Sullivan received the Notice, sent via certified mail, on August 22, 2017. (Exhibit B.) Pursuant to R.C. 119.07 and 3772.04, Sullivan had the right to a hearing if requested within 30 days of the Notice’s mailing. Sullivan failed to do so. Accordingly, no hearing was held, and the matter was brought before the Commission on October 18, 2017, for final adjudication. R.C. 119.07 and 3772.04(A).

WHEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and upon a quorum and majority vote of the members, the Commission **FINDS** and **CONCLUDES** as follows:

- 1) Sullivan submitted a casino gaming employee license application that contained false information or failed to set forth all of the information required by the Commission, in violation of R.C. 3772.10, R.C. 3772.131, Ohio Adm. Code 3772-8-02, and 3772-8-05, including:

- A) Answering “NO” to Question 8 when he should have answered “YES”;
 - i. He was convicted of, or pled guilty or no contest to, Driving While Intoxicated, on June 17, 1996 in the Alliance Municipal Court;
 - B) Answering “NO” to Questions 16 and/or 18 when he should have answered “YES”;
 - i. He had an Ohio tax lien filed against him on October 18, 2011, in the Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas; or
 - ii. He had a civil complaint and resulting April 18, 2014 lien or judgment, and May 2, 2016 wage garnishment filed against him in the Garfield Heights Municipal Court;
- 2) Sullivan is not suitable or otherwise eligible to be granted or to maintain a casino gaming employee license, as required by R.C. 3772.10 and Ohio Adm. Code 3772-8-05, based on the above allegations, including the underlying conduct, and the following:
- A) He had an Ohio tax lien filed against him on August 26, 1996, in the Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas;
 - B) He had a civil complaint and resulting June 18, 2004 lien or judgment, and November 10, 2004 wage garnishment filed against him in the Garfield Heights Municipal Court;
 - C) He had a civil complaint and resulting April 1, 2005 lien or judgment, and July 18, 2005 wage garnishment filed against him in the Garfield Heights Municipal Court;
 - D) He had a civil complaint and resulting July 25, 2006 lien, judgment, or decree of foreclosure filed against him in the Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas; or
 - E) On October 27, 2006, he filed a petition for Chapter 7 bankruptcy in the United States Bankruptcy Court-Northern District of Ohio;
- 3) Based on the above allegations, he has failed to establish, by clear and convincing evidence, his suitability for licensure as a casino gaming employee, as required by R.C. 3772.10 and Ohio Adm. Code 3772-8-05.

WHEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and upon a quorum and majority vote of the members, the Commission **ORDERS** as follows:

- 1) Sullivan’s Application is **DENIED**.

- 2) Sullivan is **PROHIBITED** from working or otherwise serving in any capacity that requires a license under R.C. Chapter 3772.
- 3) Sullivan is **PROHIBITED** from reapplying for licensure under R.C. Chapter 3772 for three years from the date the Order is served upon him, absent a waiver granted by the Commission commensurate with Ohio Adm. Code 3772-1-04.
- 4) A certified copy of the Order shall be served upon Sullivan, via certified mail, return receipt requested, and his counsel of record, if any, via ordinary mail.

IT IS SO ORDERED.


June E. Taylor, Chair
Ohio Casino Control Commission

NOTICE OF APPEAL RIGHTS

The Party is hereby notified that pursuant to R.C. 119.12, the Commission Order may be appealed by filing a Notice of Appeal with the Commission setting forth the Order that the Party is appealing from and stating that the Commission's Order is not supported by reliable, probative, and substantial evidence and is not in accordance with law. The Notice of Appeal may also include, but is not required to include, the specific grounds for the appeal. The Notice of Appeal must also be filed with the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas in accordance with R.C. 119.12. In filing the Notice of Appeal with the Commission or court, the notice that is filed may be either the original Notice of Appeal or a copy thereof. The Notice of Appeal must be filed within 15 days after the date of mailing of the Commission Order.