



*State of Louisiana*  
*Gaming Control Board*

*JOHN BEL EDWARDS*  
GOVERNOR

*RONNIE JONES*  
CHAIRMAN

**DECISION OF THE  
LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD**

**IN RE: JOHNETTE J. STAES  
NO. P040063243**

This matter is before the Louisiana Gaming Control Board on appeal by Johnette J. Staes, Permit No. P040063243, from the Hearing Officer's decision dated January 24, 2017, wherein her non-key gaming employee permit was revoked. The Hearing Officer found that Ms. Staes failed to meet her burden of proving her suitability.

We agree. Ms. Staes has a history of writing worthless checks. She gave conflicting reasons why she did not disclose these charges on her application. She made conflicting statements concerning who wrote the checks and who paid the checks.

Everyone who has or desires the privilege of possessing a gaming employee permit is required to demonstrate by clear and convincing evidence that they are suitable. La. R.S. 27:28(A). A suitable person is one of "good character, honesty, and integrity." La. R.S. 27:28(A)(1). A suitable person is one who is likely to conduct the business of gaming and financial arrangements incidental thereto in a suitable, fair and legal manner and will do so in accordance with laws and regulations. La. R.S. 27:28(A)(2) and (3).

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Not only did Ms. Staes fail to prove her suitability but the evidence and testimony show that Ms. Staes is unsuitable to possess a gaming employee permit. It was appropriate to revoke her permit.

## ORDER

This matter having been considered by the Louisiana Gaming Control Board in open meeting of March 16, 2017:

**IT IS ORDERED THAT** the Hearing Officer's decision is **AFFIRMED**.

**THUS DONE AND SIGNED** on this the *16<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2017*.

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

BY:

  
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RONNIE JONES, CHAIRMAN

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT A CERTIFIED  
COPY HAS BEEN MAILED OR SERVED ON

ALL PARTIES THIS 17<sup>th</sup> DAY

OF March, 2017

  
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APPEAL DOCKET CLERK