

State of Louisiana

M. J. "MIKE" FOSTER, JR. GOVERNOR

Gaming Control Board

HILLARY J. CRAIN CHAIRMAN

IN RE: ERNEST L. CROWE NO. P040025409

ORDER

This matter was considered by the Louisiana Gaming Control Board at its meeting of May 15, 2001. The Hearing Officer's order dated April 10, 2001, based on the "Joint Entry for Stipulations and Approval of Proposed Settlement" in the matter of "Notice of Violation and Hearing," by and between Ernest L. Crowe, No. P040025409, and the Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Office of State Police, Riverboat Gaming Division, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein, is **APPROVED**.

LOUISIANA-GAMING CONTROL BOARD

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HILLARY J. CRAIN, CHAIRMAN

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IN THE MATTER OF

ERNEST L. CROWE

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CASE NO. RGS000298

HEARING OFFICE

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

JOINT ENTRY FOR STIPULATIONS AND APPROVAL OF PROPOSED SETTLEMENT

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On Joint Motion of:

- (i) The State of Louisiana, Office of State Police, Riverboat Gaming-Division—
 ("Division"), and
- (ii) Ernest L. Crowe ("Mr. Crowe"), enter the following Stipulations into the record:

WHEREAS, by Notice of Violation and Hearing ("Notice") dated December 1, 2000, the Division alleged that on or about July 28, 1999, Mr. Crowe with six (6) other individuals, formed a limited liability company called Onisac, LLC ("Onisac"). Mr. Crowe initially invested approximately \$9,444 in Onisac, which gave him five percent (5%) ownership of Onisac. The Articles of Incorporation for Onisac were filed with the California Secretary of State on September 3, 1999.

WHEREAS, the Notice alleged that on or about August 30, 1999, Onisac entered into a purchase agreement with Jok-erz Wild Casino, Inc. ("Jok-erz Wild") whereby Onisac agreed to purchase the assets of Jok-erz Wild for \$150,000.00 and gave Leonard Fleisher, a shareholder in Jok-erz Wild, three percent (3%) ownership in Onisac. Additionally, on August 30, 1999, Onisac entered into a lease agreement with Leonard Fleisher and others for purposes of leasing the building and premises where Jok-erz Wild

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was located. The lease specifically provided that the "tenant is willing to lease the premises for the purposes of operating a bar, restaurant, and gaming operation."

WHEREAS, on or about July 14, 1998, Mr. Crowe submitted to the Division an original application for a non-key gaming employee permit. Question #6 on page three (3) of the original application states, "Beginning with your current employment, list your work history, all businesses with which you have been involved and/or all periods of unemployment for the past ten (10) years. Also, list all corporations, partnerships, or any other business venture with which you have been associated as an officer and/or stockholder possessing 5% or more ownership interest, or related capacity." Additionally, Question B on page one (1) of the original application states: "Have you or your spouse ever held a financial interest in a gambling venture, including a race track, lottery, casino, bookmaking operation, or pari-mutual operation? If Yes, explain."

WHEREAS, the Notice alleged that on or about March 25, 2000, Mr. Crowe submitted to the Division a renewal application for his non-key gaming employee permit. Included as part of the renewal application was the Employee Gaming Permit Renewal Affidavit, wherein Mr. Crowe attested to the fact of statement #3 on the affidavit which states, "The answers and other information contained in my original gaming employee permit application have remained the same, or if any answers or other information has changed, I am providing an updated answer or updated information on a separate sheet of paper which is attached to and made part of this renewal application."

WHEREAS, the Notice alleged that Mr. Crowe failed to disclose his involvement with and interest in Onisac on his 2000 renewal application for his non-key gaming employee permit and also failed to amend his 1999 renewal application to include this

information in violation of La. 27:70(A)(1), La. R.S. 27:76(A)(2), LAC 42:XIII.2141(A), and LAC 42:XIII.2127(B).

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration for the foregoing Stipulations, the Division and Mr. Crowe hereby propose the following settlement:

- 1. Mr. Crowe admits that he unintentionally failed to disclose his involvement with and interest in Onisac on his 2000 non-key gaming employee permit renewal application in violation of LAC 42:XIII.2141(A) and LAC 42:XIII.2127(B).
- 2. Mr. Crowe admits that he unintentionally failed to amend his 1999 non-key gaming employee permit renewal application to include information regarding his involvement with and interest in Onisac in violation of LAC 42:XIII.2127(B).
- 3. Mr. Crowe will pay to the Division as a civil penalty for the aforementioned violations the aggregate and complete sum of FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND 00/100 (\$500.00).
- 4. Subject to the approval of the Hearing Officer of the Louisiana Gaming Control Board, the Division hereby agrees to accept Mr. Crowe's payment of the above stated penalty in full and final settlement of this Incident RGS000298.
- 5. It is expressly understood that this proposed settlement, if approved by the Hearing Officer, is not executory and will be submitted to the Louisiana Gaming Control Board for its determination as to whether the matter should be heard by the Hearing Officer. The parties hereby consent to this procedure.

6. The Division and Mr. Crowe waive their rights to appeal this Stipulation if the Order is signed by the Hearing Officer and is accepted by the Louisiana Gaming

Control Board.

7. The Division reserves the right to take this matter into consideration in

connection with any subsequent violations.

8. This Stipulation and Proposed Settlement is to be interpreted under the

laws of the State of Louisiana.

9. This Stipulation and Propose Settlement constitutes the entire agreement

between the Division and Mr. Crowe pertaining to the subject matter contained herein

and supercedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements, representations, and

understandings of the parties.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

STATE OF LOUISIANA, OFFICE OF

STATE POLICE, RIVERBOAT GAMING DIVISION

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CASE NO. RGS000298

HEARING OFFICE

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

ORDER

Considering the foregoing Joint Motion and Stipulations:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED, that the forgoing Joint Motion for Entry of Stipulations of facts be accepted, approved and entered into the record this proceeding;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED, that Mr. Ernest L. Crowe pay to the State of Louisiana, Office of State Police, Riverboat Gaming Division, as a civil penalty, the amount of FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND 00/100 (\$500.00) payable within thirty (30) days from receipt of written notice of approval from the Louisiana Gaming Control Board.

DATED AND SIGNED at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, this ______ day of Au. , 2001.

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD
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Honorable Judge William H. Brown

Hearing Officer, Louisiana Gaming Control Board

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A TRUE COPY ATTEST
LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

HEARING OFFICE

BATON ROUGE, LA ___

BY: CLERK

STATE OF LOUISIANA PARISH OF ORLEANS

AFFIDAVIT

BEFORE ME, the undersigned Notary Public, duly commissioned and qualified within and for the aforementioned State and County, PERSONALLY CAME AND APPEARED:

ERNEST L. CROWE

who, after first being duly sworn, declared and acknowledged to me, Notary, under oath:

that affiant received a Notice of Violation and Hearing, RGS000298, dated December 1, 2000, from the Louisiana Gaming Control Board, citing violation of LAC 42:XIII.2141(A) and LAC 42:XIII.2127(B);

that in the interest of settling this matter, affiant has willfully entered into a Joint Motion for Entry of Stipulations and Proposed Settlement with the State of Louisiana, Office of State Police, Riverboat Gaming Division, through its counsel, the Louisiana Attorney General's Office;

that affiant signed the aforementioned Motion of his own volition, without duress or coercion;

that affiant understands the aforementioned Motion will be presented to the hearing officer of the Louisiana Gaming Control Board at an administrative hearing scheduled for April 10, 2001, and that affiant has the right to appear at said hearing; and

that affiant, after due consideration, has chosen not to appear at the administrative hearing in this matter.

THUS DONE AND PASSED in NEW ORLEANS, Louisiana, on this

2 day of APRIL , 2001.

Notary Public
My commission expires at my death