



State of Louisiana
Gaming Control Board

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**DECISION OF THE
LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD**

**IN RE: THE SUNSHINE BOYS & GIRLS, INC. D/B/A
THE BLVD BAR OF METAIRIE
NO. 2605101031**

This matter is before the Louisiana Gaming Control Board on appeal by The Sunshine Boys & Girls, Inc. d/b/a The Blvd Bar of Metairie (“Blvd Bar”), No. 2605101031, from the Hearing Officer’s decision dated May 3, 2019, wherein a \$500 civil penalty was imposed for violation of L.A.C. 42:XI.2407(D)(1) which requires the use of a uniform logo to advertise video gaming at a licensed establishment and a \$250 civil penalty was imposed for failure to have a current Board of Health permit in violation of L.A.C. 42:2417(A)(1).

We adopt the Hearing Officer’s findings of fact. We find that in both instances the licensee was in violation of law and regulation. We find that the imposition of a \$250 civil penalty to be appropriate for failure to have a current health permit.

In considering the facts surrounding the licensee’s failure to use the uniform logo, we note that the establishment passed two inspections by the Division before the uniform logo violation was cited. We also recognize that the licensee immediately came into compliance when made aware of the violation. Ignorance of the law is not a defense and failure to recognize a violation

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does not estop a future finding of a violation. Having recognized these principles and having considered the specific circumstances in this matter, we find that the appropriate administrative action for the licensee's failure to have the uniform logo is a warning.

ORDER

This matter having been considered by the Louisiana Gaming Control Board in open meeting of July 18, 2019:

IT IS ORDERED THAT the Hearing Officer's decision imposing a \$250 civil penalty be **AFFIRMED** and the Hearing Officer's decision imposing a \$500 civil penalty is **REVERSED AND AMENDED** to the issuance of a warning.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED on this the *18th day of July, 2019*.

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

BY:



RONNIE JONES, CHAIRMAN